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CALENDAR

January	Annual Reports made at Auxiliary meeting. Pledges and Budgets for year. Pledges reported to District Secretary. Handbook provided for each officer.
February	World-wide Day of Prayer for Missions. Election of Delegates to Annual Meeting. Registration of Delegates.
March	COUNCIL MEETING. Executive Committee Meeting.
April	Annual meeting of Louisiana Conference. Reports of 1st Quarter, made at Auxiliary Meeting. District Meetings.
May	Study of Conference Yearbook and Minutes. Houma Mission Day.
June	Conference for Christian Workers, Shreveport, June 13-18. Executive Committee Meeting.
July	Reports of 2nd Quarter made at Auxiliary Meeting. Missionary Conferences, Mt. Sequoyah, July 25-31. Leadership School at Lake Junaluska, July 25 to August 5.
August	Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska, August 1-7. Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah, August 8-19.
September	Coaching Day for Mission Study Leadership. Executive Committee Meeting.
October	Mid-Term Executive Meeting, Natchitoches. Reports of 3rd Quarter made at Auxiliary Meeting.
November	Week of Prayer. Election of Officers. Send list of Officers to District Secretary at Once. Enlistment Campaign.
December	Harvest Day—60th Anniversary, Pledges, Offering and Scarritt Maintenance paid in full. Executive Committee Meeting. Installation of Officers. Officers Training Day.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance—

Mrs. F. W. Raggio
Mrs. W. H. Martin
Mrs. C. C. Carver
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Mrs. L. A. Blevins

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Mrs. S. J. Fairchild
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Mrs. W. D. Storms

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Mrs. D. M. Campbell
Mrs. Leaming
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter

Candidate—

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter
Mrs. H. J. Powers
Rev. G. W. Dameron

Christian Social Relations—Superintendent—Mrs. D. C. Metcalf.

Christian Citizenship and Law Observance—
Mrs. Roger Sharp, 1838 Robert St., New Orleans.

International Relations and World Peace—
Mrs. C. W. Berry, Winnsboro.

Industrial Relations—
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Rural Development—
Mrs. W. E. Fine, Homer.

Interracial Cooperation—
Mrs. John Foster, 144 Ockley Drive, Shreveport.

Scarritt Promotion—
Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Baton Rouge.

Young Women's Work—
Mrs. Zach Hale, Alexandria.
Mrs. Welton Brumfield, Amite.
Mrs. George Wiggers, Winnsboro.
Mrs. L. E. Frazer, Merryville.
Mrs. Glen Heatherington, New Orleans.
Mrs. Loy Stewart, Arcadia.
Mrs. W. L. Fleming, Shreveport.

ROLL OF REMEMBRANCE

"For me to live is Christ, to die is gain."

"Like a ship that's left its moorings
And sails bravely out to sea—
So Someone Dear has sailed away
In calm serenity.
But there's promise of a greater joy
Than earth could have in store.
For God has planned a richer life
Beyond the unseen shore."

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Miss Minnie Ethridge
Mrs. S. C. Shaw
Mrs. W. R. Broadway
Mrs. L. L. Thompson
Baby Mary Dale Branton

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Mrs. J. W. Friant
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Miss Willie Ricks
Mrs. J. A. Pretz
Mrs. W. C. Price
Mrs. Elizabeth Crow

PRAYER SPECIALS

(1) Pray that the Aldersgate Commemoration may result in renewed missionary zeal and world-wide evangelism.

(2) Pray that our Church may rediscover the "warm heart" of Methodism.

(3) Pray by name for Louisiana's consecrated workers as they serve at home and abroad: Misses Ava Morton, Annie Bell Williams, Clara Chalmers, Ella K. Hooper, Ora Hooper, Willie May Porter, Sheila Nuttall, Verna Webster, Bessie Williams, Julia Reid, Marjorie Haggart, Patricia McHugh and Helen Mandlebaum.

(4) Pray for the new work the Conference is opening at Hodge and for the deaconess appointed to this field.

(5) Pray for **World Peace.**

WEEK OF PRAYER SPECIALS

Home work: One-half to the MacDonell French Mission School in Houma, La., for a central heating plant, repairs and dormitory space.

One-half for repairs, improvements and emergencies in Council institutions, as needed.

Foreign work: For reconstruction work in China.

The Council ordered a message sent to missionaries in China, Japan and Korea, expressing "love and confidence in this difficult hour.

BUDGET FOR 1938

Council Pledge	$27,000.00
Conference Expense	2,000.00
Total	$29,000.00

ECHOES FROM COUNCIL

"The impact of a Christ-filled life is the greatest force for the building of the Kingdom."—Miss Davis, Missionary from Korea.

"We do not call the world to be like ourselves, for we are already too like the world."—From the message of the Oxford Conference to the Churches.

"Oh, mighty God, set us aflame,
To show the glory of Thy name."

—Quoted by Mrs. Perry.

"The separation of a warm heart and cool intelligence is a moral tragedy."—Mrs. Mills.

"There is more freedom today to carry on our work in Africa than in any other field."—Miss MacKinnon.

"The increase in finances is not commensurate with increased opportunity. We must lift the standard of membership with the challenge of missions rather than the support of a budget."—Mrs. Fulton.

"The enormous richness of God cannot be subject to any preconceived plan of man."—Dr. Wieman.

"Most of the worthwhile things being done for negroes are promoted in the South by Southern women."—Quoted by Mrs. Downs.

"Fellowship groups are necessary for undergirding the ecumenical movement. All great movements have grown out of the small group. Jesus and the twelve, Wesley and his class meetings, the Oxford groups today."—Dr. Wieman.

The 1939 session of the Woman's Missionary Council will be held in Asheville, North Carolina.

THE BATON ROUGE CONFERENCE

The twenty-eighth session of the Louisiana Conference might well be called the "Aldersgate Session." The cover page of the official program carried a likeness of John Wesley and the theme of the Conference was "Aldersgate and Missions." Special features of the Conference were the Wesley dinner and the Aldersgate Retreat.

Charles Wesley's inspiring hymns were sung and a deeply spiritual atmosphere prevailed throughout the sessions.

Baton Rouge Society, many times hostess to the Woman's Conference, left nothing undone for the comfort or happiness of the guests. True Christian hospitality reigned. Lovely music and beautiful flowers were thoughtfully provided for each session.

The morning meditations of Dr. J. Richard Spann, pastor host, pertaining to "The Aldersgate Experience of John Wesley" were especially significant and gave us the feeling that it would indeed be glorious if we too could experience "the warm heart"—for we know that such an experience would make us forget self and that our lives would be given completely to working with God to help build his kingdom on earth. We left for our homes with the words of Wesley's hymn ringing in our ears—

"Thee, we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as the hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love."

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

With grateful hearts and a feeling of Christian joy we have come together for another annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society of Louisiana in our beautiful and historic capital city.

To the president of the hostess auxiliary and the various committees we express sincere thanks and appreciation for their many courtesies and gracious hospitalities.

It is very fitting that our conference opened Tuesday evening with the Wesley Fellowship dinner and the inspiration for singing Wesley hymns created an atmosphere that lasted throughout the meeting.

To Dr. J. Richard Spann, pastor-host and to Reverend J. H. Bowdon, presiding elder host we extend our thanks.

To the flower committee and those contributing the beautiful flowers we express deep appreciation.

We are indeed grateful to the music committee responsible for music so beautifully rendered, also the choir, the organists and those who rendered solos from time to time. The chorus from the Southern University deserves special recognition.

We thank the ladies of the First Presbyterian church for the delightful luncheon so faithfully served each day.

We are deeply appreciative of the splendid work and leadership of our president and her cabinet.

The messages brought to us by our conference guests, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Dr. George B. Workman, Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames and Mr. Arden O. French warmed our hearts.

We also express our thanks to the deaconesses and other workers and to each one who contributed to our programs.

To the church secretary and assistants who gave stenographic services, we are grateful, also to the pages who were ever ready to render service.

A delightful courtesy to the guests of the conference was a sightseeing trip over the city.

We also extend thanks to the local firms and newspapers.

The significance of this conference has been the deeply inspiring messages brought to us from the life of John Wesley and his Aldersgate experience.

"Truly our hearts have been strangely warmed."

MRS. B. C. TAYLOR, Chairman
MRS. T. F. WILBANKS
MRS. CLARK HUGHES

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

THE MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE MEETING

MacDonnell School, September 28, 29, 1937
Tuesday Night Session

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference convened for a mid-year session at MacDonell School, Houma, September 28 and 29—Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., in the chair. A period of silent meditation and prayer was observed. Mrs. Sexton announced that because of the Retreat which would follow this meeting, the devotional features would be postponed and the sessions would be strictly business. The roll was called and all conference officers and district secretaries answered with exception of Mrs. Powers.

The order of business of the Tuesday evening session was the reports of officers.

Mrs. Sexton, president, spoke most encouragingly of the advancement of Conference work along all lines.

Mrs. Martin, vice president, told of profitable personal experiences in the Bishop's Crusade in the Shreveport District, and also at the Pastors' School. She also told of her work in promoting the finances of the conference.

Mrs. Ledbetter's report was a statistical one which showed a large net gain of members. She reported that there are 219 auxiliaries in the state with a membership of 7,153.

Mrs. Pollard reported that 1100 copies of the Conference minutes had been printed and distributed and that the cost of the printing was $374.60, which was considerably less than the previous year. She stated that the historical records of the Conference were complete with the exception of the minutes of 1923 and 1924 and asked all to try to supply these copies.

Mrs. Carver, treasurer, reported that every district had almost paid one-half of its pledge the first six months of the year and that the outlook for paying the Conference pledge in full was encouraging.

Mrs. Powers' written report was read, which showed that of the 49 young women's circles in the Conference, six are new, and three have integrated.

Mrs. Eichers, secretary of children's work, reported that 60 churches had used the spring unit, which was a large increase. She reported that 2,311 children had participated in the study. She told of an "interest box" on China started by her had travelled throughout the Conference.

The work of the Department of Literature and Publicity was reported by Mrs. Dameron. She stated that she had had the privilege of serving on the Council Committee on Evolution of Literature, which met at Nashville during the summer. Because of this, she said, there had come to her a deeper appreciation of our literature and the tremendous amount of labor and creative work that is put into it. She also reported that the editor of the World Outlook had stated that the Louisiana Conference had made one of the best reports.

Mrs. Collins reported that instructions and suggestions for Coaching Day had been mailed to all district secretaries and that new book lists had been mailed to all district secretaries. She stated that nearly a thousand more women were in study classes than at previous times.

A discussion on Leadership Schools and courses followed—Mrs. Sexton told of a new course on "Adult Service," which would be available at the Pastors' School, Centenary College, June 13-18, 1938, which would be especially helpful to auxiliary Christian Social Relations superintendents.

It was voted that a teacher who had not previously taught in a Louisiana Conference School (with the exception of Mrs. Helen B. Bourne) be invited to teach the course on Mission Study at the Pastors' School next June.

Mrs. Metcalf reported that auxiliary superintendents of Christian Social Relations were reporting much better. She stated that rural surveys No. 1 and No. 2 and also hand books had been mailed out and that she had stressed the use of the Council Standard of Excellence for this work.

The work of the Supply Department was reported by Mrs. C. I. Jones, who stated that 309 donations, valued at $1,547.16 had been sent to MacDonell School and St. Mark's Community Center during the first two quarters of the year.

Mrs. Sexton announced the following committees: Education and Promotion, Mrs. Ledbetter and District secretaries; Finance, Mesdames Martin, Carver and Collins; Conference Program, Mesdames Pollard, Eichers, Dameron, Metcalf and Jones, and that the Continuing Committee for Conference program be Mesdames Jones, and Dameron with the Conference president as chairman.

Meeting adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Cunningham.

Wednesday Morning Session

The meeting opened with the singing of the hymn, "More Love, Oh Christ, to Thee." As a devotional, Mrs. R. E. Smith brought a most stimulating message from the Retreat which was held at Scarritt College early in September.

A short message from Deaconess Verna Webster was heard concerning the opening of her work at Cedar Grove Church. She said that it is a great open door of service in a large industrial center.

After some discussion, on motion of Mrs. Ledbetter, it was voted that a letter be sent to the Bishop and the Presiding Elder of the Shreveport District, requesting that the woman's work at Cedar Grove Church be borne in mind in making the appointment for this charge.

Reports of committees was the next order of business.

Mrs. Cunningham reported for the Louisiana News. After considerable discussion, it was voted to continue the publishing of this Conference paper.

The report of the Finance Committee was made by Mrs. Martin, who reported that 21 adult and 44 baby life memberships had been given during the year.

Mrs. R. E. Smith reported for the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message. She said she was very much encouraged over work done and expressed appreciation of the work of the Spiritual Life leaders in the districts. The outstanding work of the year had been the Spiritual Life Institute held during the Pastors' School at Centenary College. Mrs. Smith asked that especially during the Len-

ten season that a study of devotional literature be stressed. Mrs. Sexton suggested that a circulating library of devotional books be established for the use of the Executive Committee and that book shelves be established in auxiliaries.

Mrs. Collins stated that there was no report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Mrs. Ledbetter reported for Committee on Visiting Institutions and stated that all Council institutions in bounds of Louisiana Conference had been visited. She told of the painting being done at Jubilee Inn.

Mrs. Sexton, chairman of Candidate Committee, stated that two Louisiana girls, Misses Patricia McHugh and Helen Mandlebaum, are now attending Scarritt College on Conference scholarships.

On motion of Mrs. Pollard, is was voted to use Conference invested funds (if necessary) to complete the Haas scholarship fund.

The work of the rural committee was reported by Mrs. Metcalf, chairman. She said that the committee had held quarterly meetings to assist Deaconess Nuttall in any way possible. She stated that the Executive Committee had voted unanimously to move Miss Nuttall from the Oak Grove charge to the Bonita charge in the Monroe District for the year 1937-1938.

A report from the special committee on the "Hodge Situation" was made by Mrs. Kinnebrew. A letter from Reverend C. B. White, pastor at Hodge, telling of the great need for a deaconess to work with industrial girls at Hodge and Springhill was read.

On motion of Mrs. Pollard is was voted that a committee composed of Mesdames Ledbetter, Metcalf and Kinnebrew, investigate the need there and be authorized to make a request to the Council for such a worker if deemed advisable.

The Committee on Education and Promotion presented the following recommendations, which were adopted:

(1) Due to the fact that our Spring Study will be rural work that the use of guides one and two be stressed by zone leaders through each auxiliary.

(2) That the Conference bear the expense of one car to Pastors' School for District Secretary and Zone leaders from each district.

(3) That the extra twenty-five dollars expense money to District Secretary be continued.

(4) That a unified program be used for Officers Training Day.

The Committee on Conference Program presented the following recommendations:

(1) That the keynote of the Conference be the Aldersgate Commemoration, in keeping with the emphasis of the Bishop's Crusade.

(2) That Conference be held the last week of March (March 29 to April 1) and that Mrs. Helen Bourne or Mrs. J. W. Perry be the Council guest.

(3) That the Conference be opened with a Fellowship dinner.

(4) That a Bishop of our Church be invited to give an Aldersgate address on the first night of the Conference.

(5) That one evening be given over to a Christian Social Relations program probably using musical features from Southern University and a speaker.

(6) That the first morning of the Conference be given over to a Retreat feature.

(7) That some time during the Conference be given to a sightseeing trip.

The following were appointed by the Executive Committee to serve as a lookout committee whose duty shall be to look for good material to fill Conference offices: Mesdames Tom Owens, Alexandria; Mrs. William Schuhle, Plaquemines; Mrs. J. M. McDonald, Leesville; Mrs. J. C. Calhoun, Rayville; Mrs. J. W. Warren, New Orleans; Mrs. S. J. Beane, Haynesville, and Mrs. R. T. Douglas, Gilliam.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. J. B. POLLARD, Secretary

EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD IN BATON ROUGE

Tuesday Afternoon Session

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference met promptly Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock with the president, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presiding.

A devotional message was brought by Mrs. H. B. Wren, who built her message around the verse "I live for God as a fragrance." This period was closed with prayer by Mrs. Wren. The roll was called and all officers and district secretaries were present with the exception of Mrs. C. C. Carver, treasurer, who was detained at home because of the illness of her husband.

Mrs. Sexton discussed the program for the Conference sessions and the personnel of special committees was filled.

A letter from Mrs. Bourne, Secretary of Education and Promotion of the Council, was read regarding courses to be offered at Scarritt College Summer School for special work. The possibility of sending well prepared conference leaders and young women for special training was considered; also the possibility of sending three district secretaries and the Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations to a Missionary Conference or Leadership School this summer. As no decision was reached, and time for adjournment had arrived no action was taken. The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

MRS. GEO. SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JNO. B. POLLARD, Secretary

Wednesday Night Session

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Sextion. Mrs. Ledbetter stated that special courses for study at Scarritt College Summer School were being prepared by Miss Mable K. Howell.

On motion of Mrs. Metcalf, it was voted that the name of Mrs. G. W. Dameron be sent to the Council Committee from this Conference for consideration for a scholarship.

After discussion, on motion of Mrs. Collins, it was voted that a course on the Current Mission Study be taught at Pastors' School in June.

After consideration, on motion of Mrs. Pollard, it was voted that the Conference supplement the funds of the Council to send three district secretaries and the Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations to a Leadership School this summer.

On motion of Mrs. Dameron, it was voted that the Conference appropriate $25.00 to the Pastors' School with the understanding that this money be used to defray the registration and board of four district secretaries or conference officers to the School.

A letter from the pastor and officials of Cedar Grove requesting the re-appointment of Deaconness Verna Webster for another year's work was read.

On motion of Mrs. Ledbetter, is was voted that we apply to Mrs. Downs, Secretary of Home Missions, for Miss Webster's reappointment.

After some discussion concerning scholarships for Scaritt College, on motion of Mrs. Ledbetter, it was voted that the $201.07, now in Building and Loan Savings Account, be used for a scholarship, if necessary.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

MRS. GEO. SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JNO. B. POLLARD, Secretary

Friday Morning Session

The Executive Committee convened for a very brief session. Chairmen of standing committees were considered. Mrs. F. W. Raggio was nominated and elected Chairman of the Finance Committee. Mrs. S. M. Collins was nominated and elected Chairman of Committee on By-Laws. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MRS. GEO. SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JNO. B. POLLARD, Secretary

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE SESSIONS

WESLEY DINNER

The twenty-eighth annual session of the Louisiana Conference opened informally at 6:30 Tuesday, March 29th, with a Wesley dinner in the spacious dining hall of the First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge. The beautiful grace of John Wesley's was sung as an expression of thanks. The hour was used as a time for greeting old friends and meeting new ones. Toward the close of the dinner Mrs. F. W. Raggio, President of the Hostess Society, said a few words of greeting and welcome to the guests to which Mrs. Jno. B. Pollard responded for the Conference.

The Council guest, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne of Nashville, was introduced, also all Conference officers and district secretaries. This delightful hour was closed by the singing of the Wesley hymn "Love Divine," and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. W. Dameron.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Tuesday Night Session

With the president presiding, the evening service opened in the auditorium of the church with the singing of the hymn, "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing." The anthem, "Fear Not Ye, O Israel," was sung by the First Church choir. Responsive reading and prayer were led by the pastor host, Dr. Richard Spann.

The address of the evening was given by Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Council guest, who used for her subject "Aldersgate and Its Missionary Imperative." She built her message around this vital experience in the life of John Wesley and said that all who have actually experienced this splendid awakening have felt impelled to-

ward the missionary enterprise. She named many of Methodism's missionaries now in far away lands who have been impelled by an Aldersgate experience to Christian service and to carry the glorious gospel to those who have never heard. After the singing of a hymn the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Spann.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Wednesday Morning Session

Wednesday morning was given over to an Aldersgate Retreat, which was conducted by Mrs. R. E. Smith, Spiritual Life Leader. She was assisted by Deaconness Mary Lou Barnwell and Grace Gatewood. The retreat was divided into three periods which covered John Wesley's life and Aldersgate experience, the Personal and Social Implications of Wesley's Message and the Practical Application of Aldersgate. During the third period Mrs. W. C. McDonald spoke on "How Can I as a Genuine Christian Help to Make My Own Auxiliary More Christ-like?" Mrs. Ira Campbell discussed "How Can the Spiritual Life Group Cooperate with the Pastors in the Local Church?" Mrs. G. W. Dameron led in prayer.

This heart searching service was closed with a season of sharing experiences in which many took part. The Communion Service followed which was conducted by Rev. J. H. Bowden, Presiding Elder of the Baton Rouge District, and visiting pastors.

Following the Communion Service the President, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., took the chair and asked all Louisiana Deaconesses to come forward and be introduced to the Conference. Rev. Bowden introduced all visiting preachers. After announcements were made Rev. Briscoe Carter pronounced the benediction.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Wednesday Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened with the singing of the hymn "Lord in the Strength of Grace," after which Deaconess Sheila Nuttall led in prayer. A solo was sung by Mrs. C. S. McClesky.

The Conference organization took place and all delegates were seated within the bar.

A telegraphic message of greeting from Bishop Hoyt Dobbs was read. The minutes of the Mid-Year Executive Meeting held at MacDonell School September 28th, 29th were read by the Secretary,

Mrs. John B. Pollard. Mrs. Sexton announced the following committees: On Minutes, Mrs. H. A. Bradford, Mrs. H. J. Rivers, Mrs. Chris Barnett; Resolutions, Mrs. B. C. Taylor, Mrs. T. F. Wilbanks, Mrs. Clark Hughes; Distributing and Collecting Tellers, Mrs. Perry Leaming, Mrs. Ira Campbell, Mrs. Harrell Hunt, Mrs. H. L. Barr, Mrs. David Tarver, Mrs. H. B. McKean; Counting Tellers, Mrs. G. W. Pomroy, Mrs. S. M. McReynolds, Mrs. Walker McDonald and Mrs. John Pharr.

The Vice-President, Mrs. W. H. Martin, took the chair and presented Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., Conference President, who gave her annual message. Mrs. Sexton stated that she was bringing her message for her sixth consecutive year. She closed by saying, " 'This is the day the Lord hath made'—tomorrow may be too late for our contribution to the ongoing of His Kingdom—today is our opportunity." (See Minutes).

Mrs. W. H. Martin, Vice President, made her annual report and stated that "the Aldersgate year is bringing a spiritual awakening which always results in financial gains." (See Minutes).

Mrs. C. C. Carver, Treasurer, was unable to be present and Mrs. S. M. Collins read the financial report. (See Minutes.)

The report of the Auditor, which showed that the books of the Conference were in excellent condition, was made.

The report of the Committee on Registration showed that 191 officers and delegates had registered for the 28th session of the Louisiana Conference.

A Recognition Service for Life Members was conducted by Mrs. W. H. Martin, assisted by the district secretaries. A scroll was displayed with all names of Life Members made during 1937 and were read by Mrs. Martin.

The presentation of surprise life memberships was made by two district secretaries. Mrs. Fairchild, district secretary of the Baton Rouge District, presented Mrs. J. P. Bonnecarrere one from the Baton Rouge District and Miss Flora Watson one from the First Church Auxiliary. Mrs. J. Hunter Thatcher presented one to Mrs. John B. Pollard from the New Orleans District and Mrs. W. H. Martin presented Mrs. S. E. Castles one from her husband, Mr. S. E. Castles, of Carrollton Avenue Church, New Orleans. Mrs. Balcom of First Church, Shreveport, presented her friend and co-laborer, Mrs. Clarence Shaffer, one.

After announcements were made the afternoon session was adjourned so that all delegates might participate in Sessions Committee meetings. A benediction was given by Mrs. Sexton.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President

MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Wednesday Night Session

The Wednesday evening session convened promptly at 7:30 p. m. with Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, presiding. The hymn "God of Grace and Glory" was sung and prayer was led by Dr. Spann.

Dr. Clark, President of Southern University was presented and spoke a few words of greeting to the Conference.

A delightful feature of the evening was a concert given by the Southern University Chorus, singing a number of spirituals and other numbers.

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, Executive Secretary of the Southern Association for the Prevention of Lynching, addressed the Conference using for her subject "Toward a Christian Citizenship." She said in part "We can hold no claim toward Christian Citizenship until men and women of all Churches rise and say there shall be no more lynching—the true Christian spirit can only be accomplished by education—law and force cannot make a people good—we have a caste system of education in the South—a rural child must have equal chance with city child.—We of the favored class must see that every child (both white and colored) has equal opportunity—hatred and love cannot live in the same heart—Lynching crushes every ideal of democracy."

Mr. Arden O. French, Y. M. C. A. Secretary of L. S. U. spoke on "Christianity and the Present International Crisis" and emphasized the fact that only the teachings of Jesus must be the guide in solving the difficult world problems today. Rev. W. H. Royal pronounced the benediction.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Thursday Morning Session

The morning worship service was led by Mrs. G. W. Dameron and she centered her thought around the verse "This is the day the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad."

A solo was given by Mrs. N. J. Woodland. Dr. J. Richard Spann brought the morning meditation using for his subject, "Barriers to Aldersgate." He read the record of the experience of Peter, James and John on the Mount of Transfiguration' and told most earnestly hindrances that might keep us from a real spiritual experience.

Mrs. Sexton, President, took the chair and the Conference was called to order.

The minutes of the Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday night executive meetings were read by the secretary.

On motion of Mrs. W. L. Duren it was voted that the Conference send a message of greeting and sympathy to Mrs. C. F. Niebergall, a former Conference President, who had been in a very serious automobile accident.

The hour for "Field Work" having arrived, Mrs. Ledbetter, the district secretaries, and the Council guest, were invited to the platform. The reports of district secretaries were heard. Mrs. H. V. Dunford, secretary of the Alexandria District, said that the year 1937 had been a year of opportunity and privilege. (See Minutes.) Mrs. S. J. Fairchild, reporting for the Baton Rouge District, said "The women of my district have always been ready to carry out every suggestion of Council." (See Minutes.) Mrs. J. J. Davidson gave the annual report of the Lake Charles District and remarked that the work of her district for 1937 had resulted in a great spiritual uplift. (See Minutes.) Mrs. Ernest Gibson of the Monroe District, reporting for her district, said spiritual life groups and the work of the department of Christian Social Relations had been especially emphasized. (See Minutes.)

Mrs. J. H. Thatcher brought the annual report of the New Orleans District and said that the work of her district was unique in many ways in that 90 per cent of the district is Catholic (See Minutes.)

Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew, of the Ruston District, presented the work of her district. A unique feature of her report was the display of a miniature oil derrick which typified her district. (See Minutes.)

Mrs. H. B. Wren, in reporting the work of the Shreveport District, displayed a poster demonstrating the work done by her district. (See Minutes.)

Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, Conference Secretary, closed the field work hour by giving an interesting summary of the work of the entire Conference for 1937. (See Minutes.)

A high point of the morning session was the presentation of an Honorary Life Membership to Mrs. H. B. Wren, retiring Secretary of the Shreveport District. Mrs. Wren is the first in the Louisiana Conference to receive this high honor.

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Council Representative, brought a word from headquarters. She stressed the using of the Efficiency Aim and urged all Auxiliaries to work on their weakest points. This closed the hour for field work.

The next hour was spent in learning how missionary money is helping to build a Christian Louisiana.

Deaconness Mary Lou Barnwell, head resident of St. Marks Community Center, compared the work of this institution to a diamond mine and said "We are building the City of God each day as we serve the City of men." (See Minutes.)

Our new work at Cedar Grove Church was discussed by Deaconess Verna Webster, who serves as religious educational director, Church visitor, and social worker. (See Minutes.)

Work with the Indians at Dulac was presented by Deaconess Mary Beth Littlejohn, who outlined a day's program to illustrate this interesting work. (See Minutes.)

Mrs. Mary Freeman of Jubilee Inn made a splendid report of the work of that cooperative home for business girls located in Shreveport. Some Shreveport citizen has called this institution the "Methodist Y. W. C. A." (See Minutes.)

It was necessary to halt the report of the work of the Louisiana Missions at this time to present the Pledge Service. This was presented in dramatic form and was directed by Mrs. Joe Brown Love of the L. S. U. Student Center, who was assisted by a number of young women of the Center, representing the mission fields of Southern Methodism. She was also assisted by the district secretaries, who, in a most impressive manner made the following pledges for their respective districts for the year 1938: Alexandria, $3200.00; Baton Rouge, $3200.00; New Orleans $3700.00; Lake Charles $3000.00; Monroe $4150.00; Ruston $4150.00; and Shreveport $7600.00.

The program of Louisiana Missions was resumed and Deaconess Ella Hooper presented the Senior Class of MacDonell French Mission School, who told in story and song the many opportunities opened to them by MacDonell School. This closed with a candle-lighting service, with each member of the class of 1938 pledging their lives and service to our Lord Jesus Christ. Miss Hooper offered the closing prayer.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Thursday Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of the hymn "How Happy Every Child of Grace" and a violin solo was rendered by Miss Camille Alford. The annual Service of Remembrance was conducted by Mrs. H. J. Powers, assisted by the district secretaries. An impressive candle lighting service was held and as the district secretaries called the roll of our departed missionary friends, candles were lighted in their honor. White lilies adorned

the platform in their memory. Mrs. R. E. Smith closed the service with prayer. (See Minutes).

The business session of the Conference was resumed and the report from the Committee on Nominations for district secretaries was read. The following secretaries were elected: Mrs. H. V. Dunford, Alexandria; Mrs. S. J. Fairchild, Baton Rouge, Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., Lake Charles; Mrs. E. C. Gibson, Monroe; Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, New Orleans; Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew, Ruston; Mrs. W. C. McDonald, Shreveport.

Mrs. J. W. Warren, Chairman, made a report for the Look-out Committee, and read names of capable women who might hold office. Ballots were distributed and cast for President.

Mrs. H. J. Powers, Secretary of Young Women's Circles, reporting her year's work, stated that six new circles had been organized during the year and five had integrated. (See Minutes).

Mrs. Sexton announced that $25.00 had been placed on the desk with the words, "Let the Christ be made a life member."

Mrs. C. I. Jones, Superintendent of Supplies, gave her annual report which showed that $3,542.00 in money and supplies had been sent to Louisiana Institutions. (See Minutes).

A miniature old laundry building was presented to the President to be cast aside and a miniature new laundry was presented to Miss Ella Hooper representing the gifts of Louisiana Women with which to build a new laundry on MacDonell Campus.

The report of tellers showed that Mrs. Sexton had received a majority vote and she was declared elected president.

Ballots were distributed and cast for Vice-President.

Bro. J. H. Alford, Director of Golden Cross and Chaplain of Charity and Marine Hospitals, New Orleans, was presented to the Conference and spoke briefly on his work.

The next order of business was reports of Sessions Committees.

Mrs. C. E. McKenzie presented the recommendation of Committee on Extention of Work. The recommendations were read, discussed, and adopted. (See Minutes).

The tellers reported that Mrs. W. H. Martin had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Vice-President. Ballots were distributed and cast for Conference Secretary.

The recommendations of the Committee on Christian Social Relations were read, discussed, and adopted. (See Minutes).

A resolution concerning free public libraries was read, discussed, and adopted. (See Minutes).

A resolution concerning an additional year of school was read, discussed, and adopted. (See Minutes).

The report of tellers showed that Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Conference Secretary. Ballots were cast for Recording Secretary.

A resolution concerning strong disapproval of the recent filibuster in the U. S. Senate on the Anti Lynching Bill was read, discussed, and adopted. (See Minutes).

Miss Suzie Lyons, Chairman of Industrial Relations, spoke on the Child Labor Amendment and stated that it requires the vote of eight more states to become a law.

A resolution concerning this Amendment was read, discussed, and adopted. (See Minutes).

The report of the tellers showed that Mrs. John B. Pollard had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Recording Secretary. Ballots were distributed and cast for treasurer.

The work of the department of rural work presented.

Deaconess Sheila Nuttall, Conference Rural Worker, made a report of her year's work in the Monroe District and told of the varied experiences in the life of a rural deaconess.

Recommendations from committee on Rural Development were read, discussed and adopted.

Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, in reporting the work of the Christian Social Relations Department, summed it up by saying "The work of the Department of Christian Social Relations is the living out of practical Christianity."

The report of the tellers showed that Mrs. C. C. Carver had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Treasurer. Ballots were cast for Secretary of Young Women's Circles.

Mrs. J. M. Eicher, Secretary of Children's Work made her Annual Report which showed great advances in this department. (See Minutes).

Recommendations on Children's Work were read, discussed, and adopted. (See Minutes).

On motion of Mrs. C. E. McKenzie, it was voted that the Friday morning session open at 8:30 A. M.

The report of the tellers showed that Mrs. H. J. Powers had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Secretary of Young Women's Circles.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President

MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Thursday Night Session

The evening session opened with the singing of the hymn, "Love Divine all Love Excelling."

The anthem "Hear My Prayer" was beautifully sung by the choir.

The Scripture Reading and Prayer were led by Rev. Bowden.

The offertory solo was sung by Mrs. H. B. McKean. Dr. George B. Workman of Changchow China, was the speaker of the evening and brought the latest news of war-stricken China, telling of the ministries of our missionaries during war times and also the destruction of a great deal of church property in China.

Mrs. Helen Bourne, Council guest, closed this service with a most earnest prayer for suffering China.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Friday Morning Session

The morning worship period was led by Deaconess Verna Webster. The hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" was sung. A solo was given by Mrs. A. O. French.

The meditation was brought by Dr. Spann, who centered his message around the thought, "The Power of a Fully Surrendered Life." He said, "We are seeking this power—the power that will send us back to our homes to live a life of love, a life of self-forgetfulness."

The business session followed. Ballots were distributed and cast for Secretary of Children's Work.

Rev. G. W. Dameron, Secretary of Conference Extension Work, spoke concerning the Pastors' School and told of the courses of study and the faculty. He announced the Young People's Assembly, opening June 6th.

The Annual Report of the Superintendent of Bible and Mission Study was made by Mrs. S. M. Collins. (See Minutes).

Mrs. G. W. Dameron gave the Annual report of Department of Literature and Publicity. (See Minutes).

The tellers reported that Mrs. Eichers had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Secretary of Children's Work. Ballots were cast for Bible and Mission Study Superintendent.

The World Outlook cup was presented to Wesley Chapel in the Monroe District for having the largest per cent of church members subscribing to this paper.

The tellers reported that Mrs. G. W. Dameron had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Superintendent of Bible and Mission Study. Ballots were cast for Superintendent of Literature and Publicity.

The recommendations of the Committee on Education were read, discussed, amended, and adopted. (See Minutes).

The tellers reported that Mrs. J. G. Tinsley had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Superintendent of Literature and Publicity. Ballots were cast for Superintendent of Supplies.

Mrs. R. E. Smith, Chairman of Spiritual Life Committee, brought her annual report. While presenting her work an electrically lighted map of Louisiana was on display which represented spiritual life groups lighting all of Louisiana with the gospel message. Mrs. Smith said the verse, "The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord" inspired her to present this exhibit. (See Minutes).

The tellers reported that Mrs. C. I. Jones had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Superintendent of Supplies. Ballots were cast for Superintendent of Christian Social Relations.

The recommendations of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Message were read, discussed, and adopted.

The time had come for invitations for place of meeting for 1939. A representative from the Lake Charles Auxiliary graciously invited the Conference to meet in Lake Charles next year.

On motion of Mrs. Pomroy, it was voted to accept the invitation of Lake Charles.

The tellers reported that Mrs. D. C. Metcalf had received a majority vote and she was declared elected Superintendent of Christian Social Relations.

The hour had arrived for hearing the report of the Woman's Missionary Council which met in Tulsa Oklahoma early in March. A unique method of presenting the report was used. Mrs. Mary Freeman served as "Prof. Quiz" and Mrs. Ledbetter, assisted by Mesdames Sexton, Thatcher, and Lingle and Misses Nuttall, Hooper, and Barnwell, made prompt and instructive replies. A few highlights gleaned from their answers—Ten Conferences asked permission to extend their work—$35,000.00 was raised in life memberships, $62,000.00 from Week of Prayer—Every type of deaconess work was presented and representatives from all foreign fields took part on the program—The presidents of Hiroshima College in Japan and Ewha College in Korea were in attendance—Part of the Week of Prayer offering for 1938 will go to MacDonell School for a central heating plant and part for China reconstruction—the

theme of Dr. Wieman's noon-day devotional was, "The Christian Way."

The next order of business was reports of Standing Committees. The following reported: "Constitution and By-Laws, Mrs. S. M. Collins; Candidate, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.; Status of Women, Mrs. H. J. Powers; Visiting Institutions, Mrs. D. M. Campbell. (See Minutes).

Resolutions of appreciation to the hostess society from the Committee on Resolutions were read by the secretary to which Mrs. Raggio, President of Baton Rouge Society, responded.

The closing meditation was brought by Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, who admonished us "To lift up the Christ" to all—as He increases, we decrease. "We must show the world Jesus" were her parting words.

The benediction was pronounced, and the twenty-eighth Annual Session of the Louisiana Conference was closed.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Five years ago I brought my first "President's Message." It was in Monroe, just after the bank moratorium when the depression was at its worst. Gradually through those years our country has worked itself back to normal conditions. Paralleling the growth of economic security missionary activities have increased until the Woman's Missionary Council is once more a million dollar concern. Leaders in thought, however, realize that we in the United States cannot remain detached and secure while civilization itself is at the cross roads. Christianity and Dictatorship stand opposed in a struggle for **world** supremacy. The democratic principle of government has steadily lost ground while the "mailed fist" tightens its hold. In view of the situation in Europe and the tragedy in the far East, one is led to ask in the words of the hymn, "Watchman, tell us of the night, what its signs of promise are?"

Fortunately, there **are** signs of promise even in China where ninety years of missionary work has been desecrated and destroyed. What of the Church tomorrow in that land of yesterday's glowing promise? Its development has been retarded, self support will be slower, but the Gospel truth has been firmly planted. Missionaries have stayed at their posts and are rendering Christ-like service. Bishop Moore reports that the Chinese Christians themselves are sure of two things, first, that China will eventually win out, and

second, that the Church of Christ can never fail. Is there not a note of encouragement in the fact that Chinese and Japanese Christians are praying for each other and that the Japanese Mission asked for very little because of the great needs in China?

Oh no, Christian Missions have not failed, but we, with others, have only played at the job. As we build schools and pay teachers, support churches and supply workers, establish settlement houses and staff them with Deaconesses, erect hospitals and send Christian nurses, we are not only making salvation possible for individuals, but we are reshaping countries, remolding governments, and helping to build a new social and economic order based on love and cooperation rather than hate and competition.

Perhaps the greatest signs of promise today are found in the trend toward unity and the slow but steady rise of a spiritual revival. One cannot attend great meetings nor read very widely without sensing the growth of a **World Church,** the breaking down of small differences and the coming together of Christians on great fundamental principles. The Edinburgh and Oxford Conferences this past year made definite progress toward a World Protestant Church. Religion today **must** be ecumenical in scope if it battles successfully with other world wide movements. How proud we should be that Methodism is leading out here in the United States! Four years ago the General Conference dared to hope that by 1944, a hundred years after the separation, Northern and Southern Methodism would be reunited, but so fast has sentiment grown that it now seems we'll present a united front by 1940.

Methodism seems destined also to have a great part in the spiritual rebirth which many believe is on its way. The Aldersgate Commemoration has directed the thoughts of millions toward surrendered lives, deepened spirituality, and the work of the Holy Spirit. No movement of our day has made greater appeal to the women of Southern Methodism. In line with it, the Spiritual Life Department of the Council has continued its retreats and sponsored fellowship meetings and prayer circles. Four outstanding Retreats have been held at Scarritt College and countless others in the Conferences and Districts. Last September, Louisiana Conference held a meaningful retreat at MacDonell Mission School. Miss Daisy Davies was with us and what enriching, heart searching days they were! Many of the Districts followed with similar meetings and carried over into them much of the worderful spirit. As a result of this meeting the Executive Committee inaugurated a circulating book shelf of devotional literature and wishes to endorse the idea for local auxiliaries.

Since we close in 1937 a quadrennial period, let us glance back over it for special occasions and signs of promise. In 1935 we celebrated the silver anniversary of united home and foreign work, then in 1936 the Golden Jubilee of Home Missions. We come this year to a 60th birthday of foreign missions. Sixty years ago the General Conference, composed entirely of men, granted us permission to organize for work among women and children; this year our General Conference will number among its thirty women delegates a young Chinese woman, a Christian dividend from that land to which our first missionary was sent.

Methodism has made great strides in Louisiana during the quadrennium. In the Woman's work our membership has grown from 6,264 to 7,250 and the amount sent the Council Treasurer from $20,583 to $26,622. Under the Cooperative Plan for the Missionary Education of Children, adopted at the last General Conference, four times as many children have been reached and offerings have increased from $381.24 to $519.50. This last, however, is a considerable falling off from last year's total and indicates a lack of vigilance in the local church regarding the fourth Sunday Missionary Offering. The last four years has seen Keener Hall at MacDonell School completely furnished by the Supply Department, the Pastors' School grow in attendance and influence, work with the Indians at Dulac developed to include a Council worker, the appointment and support of a Deaconess to the Cedar Grove section of Shreveport, three Louisiana girls trained at Scarritt College and consecrated for definite service, World Outlook subscriptions increase from 949 to 1,511, and the five departments of Christian Social Relations set up and functioning. Particular emphasis has been placed on rural and interracial work and both have developed remarkably. Young Women's groups have integrated into the Missionary Societies in large numbers, bringing increased enthusiasm and efficiency.

Due to your fine spirit and the tireless work of every officer and District Secretary, we overpaid our Council pledge in 1937 so the way is open, I believe, for us to "go forward." Two special opportunities are before us here in Louisiana and we are requesting that Deaconesses be appointed to them. One is at Hodge where approximately five hundred girls are employed at the paper mill, and the other is for a student counselor at the Normal in Natchitoches where three hundred and twenty-five Methodist girls are in school. Both Mrs. Downs and Miss Davis, Personnel Worker for the Candidate Committee, visited our Conference in February and felt these places offered a challenge.

For the first time in years we have a Louisiana girl ready to go to the foreign field. Patricia McHugh, who has attended Scarritt on the Whited Memorial Scholarship, was consecrated this year at Tulsa and goes to Korea this summer. Miss MacKinnon has asked that we assume her salary of a thousand dollars. It will have to be "new money," but as our gift to the 60th birthday of foreign missions, which will be featured this year, I am hoping it can be done. It will mean Life Memberships, Honorary Life Memberships, overpaying Conference pledges whenever possible and securing extra gifts for missions, but faith plus works can do it.

Over a thousand dollars has been raised this year outside of regular channels for the laundry at MacDonell School and the Conference is sincerely grateful to Mrs. Woodard for her enthusiastic and unselfish efforts to complete this project. Mrs. Jones, Superintendent of Supplies, has done a splendid work for our institutions and to her department will fall the task of equipping the new laundry.

With a note of sadness I bring you the resignation of Mrs. Wren as Secretary of the Shreveport District. She has given many years in Missionary leadership and has made a valuable contribution. She feels now that someone else should have the privilege which has meant so much to her.

In closing, I would say to myself and to each of you, "This is the day the Lord hath made." Tomorrow may be too late for our contribution to the ongoing of His Kingdom. **Today** is our opportunity. The responsibility we shoulder and the spirit of our service will type the Missionary enterprise for years to come. May it never be said that **indifference** or **selfishness** or **lack of love** on our part blocked the purposes of God for this generation.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR.

THE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT — Martin

When we come together to review the accomplishments of the past year, may we remember that they have come only in proportion to our dependence upon God for wisdom and strength. I am thinking of the accomplishments of the districts; the secretaries have worked hard; theirs has been a labor of love, devotion, and sacrifice. Their combined efforts, together with the work of the scattered but loyal groups of rural, town and city women has enabled the conference to meet her financial obligation.

There is no telling what may be accomplished when a people, under the leadership of God, learn to work together, each in her own place contributes her share to a great enterprise. The story

of the restoration of the walls of Jerusalem is an impressive illustration of what can be accomplished by whole hearted cooperation. Nehemiah tells us that sections of the walls were apportioned to groups of men to be repaired and rebuilt, and the work went forward with effectiveness and enthusiasm. The people had a mind to work, and because each stood in his place and faithfully did his work the walls of Jerusalem rose out of the ruins and the city of David resumed its ancient glory. $26,000.00 was pledged last year and it was a large sum but the task was simplified when 7000 women, under the direction of 7 district secretaries, contributed their share to the great enterprise.

"Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations" is still the marching order of the Church of Christ. This command will not be fully obeyed until the people of every nation have had an opportunity to find salvation in Jesus Christ. The day is coming, so we are promised when "men shall learn war no more, but every man sit under his vine and fig tree with none to make him afraid." I can not conceive of that time coming without the aid of Christian missions. Recently a returned missionary from China said that he advised certain peace societies to disband and join missionary societies, because he knew of no force in all the world that could transform a zone of conflict and ill into a zone of peace and good will except the power of Christ. The task of taking the world for Christ is so great that millions must be spent, but God can make unexpected combinations out of the poor contributions of each of us; and your pledge and mine help to make the millions. But figures alone do not tell the story of influences set at work in a community, of the spiritual development of a people or increased responsibility on the part of the people.

Our pledge to council was overpaid last year; the average per member was $3.99, a gain of 10% over that of the previous year; many are giving ten times that amount while others can not even give that much, but if we give according to our financial ability, that is all that is required. With faith and courage and a deep appreciation of God's great blessings to us, may we increase our gifts through larger membership offerings, Week of Prayer gifts, more Houma Scholarships, and Life Memberships.

It has been said that if Christ is manifest in the lives of our women, there will be no difficulty about our giving, and we have every right to expect a great spiritual awakening among Methodist women of the world.

There are hosts of women in our conference who have rendered outstanding service during these years, whom the auxiliary or members of their families should delight to honor by presenting them

with life memberships. It is urged that life memberships be presented with impressive services, explaining the significence and giving the symbolism of the insignia. You can honor the memory of a loved one who has passed on, by placing her name on the Memorial Roll. The year 1937 was a banner year for life memberships. There were 57 adults, 3 juniors, and 83 babies, a total of 143, showing an increase of 43. It is encouraging to note that each district made a gain in free will offerings; five districts over-paid their pledges, and the other two came very near the goal; a few more life members would have put them over the top.

Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Ruston, and Shreveport Districts showed gains in practically every department. Shreveport District lead the conference in numbers of life members; they had 41. Ruston District showed the greatest increase in life members.

As vice president, I have been chairman of the Conference Finance Committee, but if your auxiliary vice-president can render more efficient service in some other department than finance, by all means, let her serve where she is best suited. For instance, she might be the best woman available for chairman of the Spiritual Life Group, or for Chairman of the membership committee. Wherever she serves, I am praying that she will glorify her office and prove herself an invaluable assistant to the president.

It has been a happy privilege to have had even a small part in building the Kingdom. Each year my knowledge of the missionary enterprise has enlarged and my interest deepened. As I look back, not one thing was given or done that was not worth many fold what it cost to give it.

MRS. W. H. MARTIN.

DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION

Report of Conference Secretary

"And I will give to the Man's work so fitted to thy growth
That in God's Kingdom building thou mayest use the
largest powers."

The Woman's Missionary Society has no greater evidence of the validity of its commission and its methods than the number of women of all age groups who have accepted this responsibility of world-wide Discipleship and have proclaimed themselves the "heralds of the love of God for all mankind."

This summary is gratifying proof that the seven District Secretaries, thirty Zone Leaders and 7250 Auxiliary women have indeed

used their largest powers to lay Christian foundations for that World Community toward which great souls of every generation have pioneered.

The Secretaries' reports have given you some insight into the extent of work accomplished through the consecrated and devoted service of the missionary women of the Louisiana Conference.

A large vision, a progressive educational program and a financial policy adapted to the habits and funds of women are some of the elements that give this Missionary Enterprise its high rating in efficiency.

Missionary offerings, large or small, if given regularly and systematically are a contributing factor in reaching financial goals. For the second successive year we are able to write **PAID IN FULL.** An increase of $1,000.00 in our pledge to Council resulted in the opening of a new work in Cedar Grove, and the appointment of Miss Verna Webster to 66th Street Church, in September, 1937.

Believing that an informed leadership is vital to the growth of any organization, the Conference provided unusual advantages for the women who are directly responsible for promoting the program of work in its entirety. The Pastors' School at Centenary College was largely attended by district secretaries, Conference officers and superintendents of Mission Study. Other women interested in some phase of the Church Program brought the total enrollment to 76.

With some financial assistance from Council it was possible to send five district secretaries and two alternates to Mt. Sequoyah for leadership training and participation in a Rural Seminar.

The cooperative plan for missionary education of children is progressing satisfactorily in the use of missionary units. Secretaries of Children's Work in the local auxiliaries are urged to see that the fourth Sunday offerings are properly channeled. Last year the Conference received from this source $519.50.

Only fifty auxiliaries in the Conference reported the cultivation of Baby Specials with a total offering of $110.98 sent to Mrs. Carver. This, plus the baby life members, in Mrs. Fulton's report, credited our Conference with $530.98.

The Head Residents of each Council Institution will give detailed reports of their respective activities. En passant, we take this occasion to pay an affectionate tribute of esteem to them, and other Council workers, whose labors in our midst have been of invaluable help in advancing the missionary interests of the Woman's Missionary Society in Louisiana.

HOUMA SCHOLARSHIPS: During the quadrennium directed pledges for Houma Scholarships have doubled. In 1933, support for

17 scholarships by the Conference and 2 by other agencies, totaled $2249.51; at the close of 1937 full or partial support for 33 by the Conference and 3 by other agencies, totaled $585.26. Three new scholarships have been pledged for 1938 by First Church and Rayne Memorial of New Orleans, and the Gleaners of First Church, Shreveport.

Even with this increased support, there is still an urgent and existing need. One-half of the Week of Prayer offering for the Home Department will be directed to repairs and improvements with enlarged dormitory space for the Wesley House and the MacDonell School at Houma.

We must reckon beyond the immediate need and good of MacDonell School and thinking forward, try helpfully to project its ministry into the generations of the future.

Two of Louisiana's daughters were consecrated at the recent Council Session. Patricia McHugh, for work in Korea, and Helen Handlebaum, deaconess in the Home Field.

SCARRITT MAINTENANCE for the quadrennium has increased a fraction more than 25 per cent; $649.61 for 1937, as against $455.05 for 1933.

WEEK OF PRAYER: In 1933, 135 auxiliaries observed Week of Prayer, but four years later, an increase of only ten was noted. Offerings for 1937 amounted to $887.28, while in 1933, $1,042.26 was recorded. Our giving has not been commensurate with the 1,000 increase in membership during the four year period. We are urging every member of every missionary society in the Conference to make an offering this year to the special objects for which these funds are designed. China reconstruction in the Foreign Field and repairs and improvements in the Home Field, remembering that one-half of the gifts for the Home Field will go to our own work at Houma.

Twelve years ago marked the initiation of Zone organization, and the report of quarterly meetings in each district is an encouraging evidence of interest in the program of Woman's Work. Many women have found their place of usefulness in these small group meetings and developed latent talents of leadership. For the most part, zone programs have been prepared, using as a basis of study, the recommendations from the Council and Conference.

To the District Secretaries and Zone Leaders, we give grateful recognition and sincere appreciation for helpful and loyal support in furthering plans and policies, without which, we could scarcely record the steady and uninterrupted growth apparent in the Conference.

SUMMARY BY DISTRICTS: A total of $1,360.17 was overpaid. in pledges by the Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Ruston, New Orleans and Shreveport Districts.

Per capita giving, was in the order given:

Shreveport	$5.31
Ruston, next with	3.96
Alexandria	3.95
New Orleans	3.94
Monroe	3.73
Baton Rouge	3.54
Lake Charles	2.86

The following districts reported a net gain in members:

Baton Rouge	98
Lake Charles	51
Shreveport	42
New Orleans	37

Increase in World Outlook subscriptions was reported from:

New Orleans	61
Ruston	37
Shreveport	34
Alexandria	26

Houma Scholarships received more support from the Alexandria District, while the Shreveport District reported the largest gifts to Life Memberships and Week of Prayer.

Ledbetter

STATISTICAL REPORT FROM CONFERENCE FOR 1937

DISTRICTS	Number of auxiliaries	Number of new auxiliaries	Total number members of auxiliaries including young women and new members.	Number of new members	Number of Young Women's Circles	Number in young women circles	Number of societies promoting baby Specials	Number of subscribers to World Outlook	Number of auxiliaries making a study of Stewardship	Number of active Spiritual Life Groups	Number of Mission Study Classes	Number of members in Mission Study Classes	Number of Bible Study Classes	Number of members in Bible Study Classes	Number of auxiliaries having Christian Social Relations Committees	Number of auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer	Number of auxiliaries achieving efficiency Aim (4th Quarter)	Number of life members	Number of Home or Foreign Specials
Alexandria	32	3	817	85	1	29	11	162	2	11	19	296	13	255	13	23	2	20	5
Baton Rouge	34	6	901	211	2	60	8	227	4	7	14	315	10	144	14	18	2	21	2
Lake Charles	31	3	1011	118	8	180	5	134	12	13	19	464	15	535	18	20	1	6	5
Monroe	32	1	1108	168	5	119	8	192	12	10	17	379	18	324	21	23	6	16	5
New Orleans	26	1	936	155	4	102	5	220	7	11	14	208	6	159	16	17		12	8
Ruston	36	4	1058	135	8	96	5	235	10	13	23	240	20	252	12	23	2	27	4
Shreveport	34	2	1443	154	8	130	9	362	16	17	26	710	20	750	22	28		42	13

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1937

DISTRICTS	Freewill Offering	District and Zone Collections	Life Memberships	Scholarships Home and Foreign	Bible Woman	Week of Prayer	Total Sent Conference Treasurer	Supplies	Scarritt Maintenance	Houma Day Offerings	Amount spent for local work	Per capita gifts
Alexandria	$1,602.50	$ 73.68	295	$ 818.04	120	$149.05	$3,234.77	$261.21	$ 94.00	$ 39.24	$2,724.80	$3.95
Baton Rouge	$1,942.40	69.10	245	609.39		220.48	3,195.94	387.28	101.92		2,154.89	3.54
Lake Charles	1,723.79	59.83	110	746.75		172.05	2,899.53	439.55	71.65	9.00	2,632.60	2.86
Monroe	3,089.72	103.69	130	379.91		315.78	4,133.97	468.66	99.99	8.58	4,610.89	3.73
New Orleans	2,333.37	36.56	140	493.05	240	358.12	3,690.59	722.28	69.00	5.44	3,076.92	3.94
Ruston	3,073.19	47.50	335	300.00		289.37	4,175.26	491.40	92.55	26.89	2,296.42	3.96
Shreveport	5,014.82	68.21	590	1,082.00	360	382.43	7,663.73	695.49	120.50	23.67	7,562.99	5.31

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST FROM THE 1937 REPORTS OF DISTRICT SECRETARIES

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

It is encouraging and gratifying to watch the work grow. As the report for 1937 is compared with that for 1936 improvement can be noted. The outstanding improvements are: Increased attendance in study courses, increase in Spiritual groups, doubled increase in Baby Specials contribution. 28 of the 31 auxiliaries increased their per capita giving in 1937.

We have a corps of splendid young zone leaders who are doing outstanding work. 20 zone meetings were held, our district meeting was held in Pineville, 3 Coaching days were held in Jena, Bunkie and Natchitoches, our Officers Training day was held in Alexandria with fine attendance.

It is a grand privilege to work with such cooperative women for Him who has and will strengthen us.

MRS. H. V. DUNFORD.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

District meeting was held at Kentwood in May.

The Annual Retreat at First Church, Baton Rouge with Miss Daisy Davies guest speaker in October.

Coaching Day at Greensburg in September.

Officers' Training Day at First Church, Baton Rouge in December.

Zone meetings have been inspirational and most helpful.

Spiritual Life groups are increasing and we hope to report at least one in each Auxiliary in 1938.

MRS. S. J. FAIRCHILD.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

District meeting was held in Lake Charles in May, Coaching days in De Ridder and Crowley in September, and Officers' Training Day in Lake Charles in December.

There seems to be an ever increasing interest in the entire program of work, with a majority of the Auxiliaries endeavoring to carry on the work of each department. Genuine progress has been evidenced in the number of Spiritual Life Groups and Christian Social Relations Committees.

Outstanding in interest and influence were the morning Retreats conducted at four of the zone meetings. These retreats,

resulting from the Houma Retreat, were planned and led by our District Spiritual Life Leader, Mrs. J. N. McDonald, assisted by the five delegates to Houma.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the leaders and workers in my district for their interest and cooperation.

MRS. J. J. DAVIDSON, JR.

MONROE DISTRICT

Some fine work has been done by the earnest women in the Monroe District and I am by their cooperation, constrained to press forward to better ends.

During the past year, we have held one District Meeting, one Officers' Training Day, one Mission Study Coaching Day, twelve Zone Meetings and three Retreats.

A happy year of work with Christian women has shown some accomplishments, but with increased faith and assurance of strength and guidance, we strive for yet more progress.

MRS. E. C. GIBSON.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

District Meeting was held in Houma, May 14th, with four Conference officers as guest speakers.

Rayne Memorial Church, New Orleans, was hostess for our Coaching Day program, September 8th, with Mrs. G. W. Hetherington presenting a Model Class demonstration.

Officers' Training Day was observed December 9th at Gentilly Church, New Orleans.

Three Zone Retreats were held, two with Miss Daisy Davies as guest speaker.

There has been a decided increase in Mission Study members, World Outlook subscribers, supplies, Week of Prayer offerings, and Auxiliaries attaining efficiency aim.

It has been a great privilege to work with the women of the New Orleans District who have given fine support, cooperation and inspiration.

Our prayer is that our chief joy may be in sharing our Christ with others.

MRS. J. H. THATCHER.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Ruston District shows a great improvement in many phases of our work. Especially are we proud of our two new Auxiliaries and our 27 new Life Members. We had an increase in the number of prayer groups and Mission and Bible Study classes.

The Week of Prayer offering for 1937 amounted to $286.02. We overpaid our quota and sent an increase of $575.26 to our Conference Treasurer over the previous year.

A World Outlook subscription in every auxiliary and a large increase in membership proves that we are making efforts towards the advancement of His Kingdom.

May we continue in these heart warming experiences and reconsecrate our lives for deeper spiritual power.

MRS. GUY KINNEBREW.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

At the close of the year our district has 34 Auxiliaries with a membership of 1443.

It has been a joy to watch our work grow. Increases are noted in Baby Special Work, in number of Spiritual Life Groups, in number of Mission and Bible Study classes, gifts to Week of Prayer, Houma Scholarship and number contributing to Scarritt Fund. Our Zone programs have been most inspirational with each Auxiliary represented at the meetings.

The cooperation of our splendid women has been an incentive to attempt higher goals. May our Father bless each one.

MRS. H. B. WREN.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS OF ORGANIZATION AND EXTENSION

That inasmuch as the Department of Education and Promotion of the Council will provide a minimum of five scholarships of fifty dollars each for five outstanding Conference leaders to attend Scarritt College for a six weeks term, from June 7th to July 17th. WE RECOMMEND:

1. That an effort be made to secure for our Conference one of these scholarships.

2. That Conference women be urged to attend this term at their own expense, as a preparation for missionary leadership.
3. That the Conference cooperate with the Department of Education and Promotion in sending at least three district secretaries to one of the Missionary Conferences this summer.
4. That Conference, district and auxiliary leaders attend the Pastors' School in our Conference.
5. WE FURTHER RECOMMEND:
   (a) That auxiliaries elect as auxiliary superintendents women especially adapted to this particular Missionary work.
   (b) That a larger use of the Florine McEachern gift boxes be made.
6. (a) That a challenge be given to young women for world wide missions, in addition to Christian social relations and local activities.
   (b) That we make special effort to enlist every young woman in our church for membership in the Missionary Society.
7. That definite emphasis be given the new quarterly Work Calendar.

AN EFFICIENCY AIM

1. Twelve monthly meetings with well planned Yearbook programs.
2. Net increase in membership
3. Net increase per capita in connectional funds.
4. January meeting a Pledge meeting as planned by Council.
5. Week of Prayer observed as planned by Council.
6. Use of the Bible as planned by Council.
7. Two Mission Study Classes.
8. Net increase in WORLD OUTLOOK subscriptions.
9. Organization or cultivation of young women.
10. Promotion of Cooperative Plan for Missionary education of children by Secretary of Children's Work.
11. Cultivation of parents of babies by Superintendent of Baby Specials.
12. Missionary cultivation of new societies and other groups.
13. Christian Social Relations Committee and activities.
14. Quarterly Executive Committee and all reports sent Conference Officers and District Secretary by first day of quarter.

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLIES

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SUPPLIES

St. Mark's 1937

Donations	Quarter	Cash	Box	Total
33	1st.	96.87	22.19	119.06
58	2nd.	194.41	114.35	308.76
71	3rd.	273.72	154.24	427.96
45	4th.	117.31	118.75	306.06
207		682.31	479.53	1161.84
		Houma		
104	1st.	321.67	239.20	564.87
111	2nd.	393.67	160.80	554.47
62	3rd.	228.02	175.98	404.00
129	4th.	507.49	334.40	841.89
406		1450.85	910.38	2365.23
	St. Marks total—			
207		682.31	479.53	1161.84
	Houma's total—			
406		1450.85	910.38	2365.23
613		2133.16	1389.91	3527.07
	1 superannuate preacher			5.00
				$3532.07
	Valuation of supplies for Jubilee Inn			$ 150.00

MRS. C. I. JONES, Superintendent.

DIRECTIONS FOR SUPPLIES, 1937

Houma

Alexandria—2nd, 4th quarters.
Baton Rouge—1st, 3rd, 4th.
Lake Charles—1st, 3rd.
Monroe—1st, 2nd.
New Orleans—2nd, 4th.
Ruston—1st, 3rd, 4th.
Shreveport—1st, 2nd, 4th.

St. Mark's

Alexandria—1st, 3rd.
Baton Rouge—2nd.
Lake Charles—2nd, 4th.
Monroe—3rd, 4th.
New Orleans—1st, 3rd.
Ruston—2nd.
Shreveport—3rd.

RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING SUPPLIES

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That our goal for the year 1938 be: Each auxiliary having a direct personal share in the missionary work of the state, by contributing supplies to St. Mark's Community Center in New Orleans, and to MacDonell French Mission School and Wesley House in Houma, and that all the auxiliaries be privileged to send supplies to Scarritt.
2. That auxiliaries within reasonable distance of Jubilee Inn, a cooperative home for business girls in Shreveport, contribute food supplies to that institution.
3. That the Conference Superintendent of Supplies send letters of instructions quarterly to the auxiliaries giving needs of these institutions.
4. That cash donations be sent for St. Mark's and MacDonell School whenever possible.
5. That we undertake as Foreign Specials through this department to furnish supplies to hospitals, farms and schools in Africa.
6. That we continue Foreign Specials in China by helping with equipment for Margaret Williamson Hospital in Shanghai.
7. That all money for Foreign Supplies be sent through Conference Superintendent of Supplies to the Council Treasurer.

MRS. GUY KENNEBREW, Chairman
CARRIE McKENZIE, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

REPORT OF TREASURER WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH—1937

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1937	$ 584.94
Receipts—	
Freewill Offering—Adults	14,329.79
Freewill Offering—Babies	110.98
Life Members—Adults	1,400.00
Life Members—Juniors	30.00
Life Members—Babies	415.00
Scarritt Maintenance	649.61
Foreign Scholarships	160.00
Houma Scholarships	3,957.74
Bible Women	720.00
Week of Prayer	1,887.28

Missionaries' Salaries—

Miss Anne B. Williams	900.00
Miss Ava Morton	750.00
Miss Ella K. Hooper	900.00
Miss Shiela Nutall	1,200.00
Miss Verna Webster	700.00
Scarritt Scholarships	300.00
Houma Day Offering	112.82
Zone Collections	384.10
Collections at Annual and District Meetings	143.61
Life Member Pins	3.00
Refunds by Officers	34.39
For supplies and Scarritt Membership	35.15
From Council for Mount Sequoyah	50.00
Special from Bunkie for Houma	12.00

Disbursements—

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton	$26,620.52	
Conference Officers' Expense	909.12	
District Secretaries' Expense	261.29	
Retreat and Executive Meeting	215.87	
Printing La. News, Stationery, etc.	202.52	
Expenses—District Secretary to Mount Sequoyah	147.70	
Shiela Nutall—License, Insurance and Extra Expense	151.47	
Pastors' School	26.00	
Contribution to Aldersgate Commemoration	50.00	
Flowers	3.12	
Printing and Mailing Minutes	374.60	
Postage on Council Minutes	7.64	
Bond for Treasurer	25.00	
Auditing Treasurer's Books	25.00	
Guests at Annual Meeting	54.25	
Refunds, Supplies, etc.	37.15	
Life Member Pins	1.00	
Bank Charges	7.69	
	$29,119.95	$29,770.41
		29,119.95
Balance on hand for Conference Expense		$ 650.46
Builders and Loan Matured Savings		201.77
Total on hand January 15, 1938		852.23

Fourth Sunday Collections	$ 519.52
Supplies Reported	1,568.28
Local Work Reported	20,109.50
City Missions Reported	2,031.35

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.,
President Woman's Home
Missionary Society
Louisiana Conference, Shrexeport, La.

Lafayette, La.
February 24, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Sexton:

Complying with your request of February 7, 1938, I have made a detailed audit of the books and records of your Conference Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Carver, of Rayne, La., for the period from January 15, 1937, to January 15, 1938. I find all receipts and disbursements properly accounted for and the books and records in excellent condition.

I also find that your Treasurer is properly bonded in the sum of $10,000.00, by the Fidelity and Deposit Co., for one year. The premium on this bond is paid by your society.

Your society also holds Full Paid Stock Certificate No. 463 for $245.00 and a savings account amounting to $4.90 on February 19, 1938 in the Rayne Building and Loan Association.

Should there be any additional information you may desire, please communicate with me.

Assuring you that it has been a pleasure to serve your good society, I am Very truly yours,

R. H. AGATE, Public Accountant
Registered with the State Board
of Certified Public Accountants
under No. 127.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Your Conference Finance Committee submits the following report:

During the past year the committee has diligently promoted finances throughout the conference by correspondence, through the church and public press, and by personal contacts at district, zone, and auxiliary meetings.

In taking an inventory we found much that was encouraging. Each year during the last quadrennium there was increased interest in the offerings; and last year many gains were made. It has been said that if God is manifest in the lives of the women there will be no difficulty about their giving. If that be true then there is just cause for rejoicing in our conference.

Every item of the financial report except one showed a gain over that of the previous year. The greatest increases were in Free Will Offerings, Houma Scholarships and Life Memberships. Last year Life Memberships netted the Conference $1,845.00, a gain of $275.00. Only four conferences had more than Louisiana for the year. $3,957.74 was paid in for Houma Scholarships—a gain of $300.00. Free Will Offerings showed an $871.41 increase.

Our pledge to council was increased $1,000 last year and the pledge was overpaid by $554.52. Council asked that we make a ten per cent increase in per capita giving, and the goal was realized.

It is most encouraging to note that the amount spent for local work did not exceed that sent to the Conference Treasurer. This shows that missionary leven is at work and that the women are realizing the high purpose for which we are organized. A certain amount of local work is necessary, but local funds should not exceed the connectional funds.

There was a slight decrease, $16.00, in Scarritt Maintenance. Only one dollar per quarter, $4.00 per year is all that is asked. Let's make that 100 per cent this year.

There are some items from Mrs. Fulton's report that will be interesting. $62,000.00 was the Week of Prayer Offering last year; our Conference paid $1,887.28 of that amount. $35,000.00 was paid for Life Memberships; there were 15 Honorary Life Members and 5 Life Patrons. Virginia Conference led in Life Memberships.

Every item that constitutes our pledge is a challenge and may we earnestly try to keep our women informed on every phase of the work. People do not get a great deal of joy out of contributing to objects they know little or nothing about. "Our money saves and serves around the world. Follow it with your prayers and study it as it goes on its mission for Christ, and your giving will bring you joy."

"I have more food than I can eat—
They faint with hunger in the street.
I have more clothes than I can wear—
Their head and hands and feet are bare.
My walls are thick and warm and dry
Their walls are rain, and wind and sky.
My heart knows of love of noble souls—
Their hearts are hungry, thirsty bowls.
These things let me remember
When cries of needy rise again."

MRS. W. H. MARTIN,
Chairman Finance Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING FINANCE

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That emphasis be placed on the financial basis of membership, challenging women to make offerings commensurate with their interest and ability to give:

   (a) That the goal of the January pledge service be a stated gift for missions from every member of the Missionary Society.

   (b) That we set as a goal, an increase of 10 per cent in the Conference per capita giving.

2. That special talks be made at district, zone and auxiliary meetings, based on information about "Our Dollars At Work," emphasizing gifts to missions rather than to budgets.

3. That we continue to supplement our Missionary funds by urging Honorary, Adult and Baby Life Memberships and Memorial Funds.

4. That Houma Day be observed early in May, with inspirational programs, the offerings to apply on Houma Scholarships.

5. That presidents, vice-presidents and treasurers make careful studies of articles on funds, pages 14, 15, 16, 17 of the Hand Book.

6. That every auxiliary be urged to give $4.00 per year to the Scarritt Maintenance Fund, this being the only direct approach to the Missionary Societies for the regular maintenance of Scarritt.

7. That each auxiliary treasurer begin as early as possible to distribute envelopes for Week of Prayer Offerings, stressing weekly offerings rather than one day gifts.

8. That no funds budgeted for Missionary purposes be used for local work. Never should local funds exceed Missionary offerings.

9. That all over the Council pledge, and special gifts directed for that purpose be applied on Patricia McHugh's salary.

   (a) That this shall be the Conference's gift to the anniversary goal of $60,000.

10. That the Conference pledge to Council be $27,000 and the Conference budget be $29,000.

COST OF DIRECTED PLEDGES

These Are All Minimum Amounts

Scholarships

Students in boarding schools in China, Japan, Korea, Brizal Mexico, Cuba, per year	$ 40.00
Some in Cuba	50.00
Bible schools in Korea	50.00
Bible schools in Japan	120.00
Medical school in China	150.00
French Mission School, Houma, Louisiana	150.00
Virginia K. Johnston Home, Dallas, Texas, for Rescue Work, a girl's outfit for entrance	60.00
(Any amount will be welcomed on maintenance)	
Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia, for dependent girls	200.00
Scarritt College, any course	300.00

Bible Women

In China, Japan, Korea, Brazil	$120.00 up
Other trained native workers	$120.00 to $750.00

Missionaries and Deaconesses

Foreign Missionaries	$900.00 to $1,000.00
Deaconesses and Home Missionaries	$900.00 up

SPECIALS SUPPORTED UNDER DIRECTED PLEDGES

BIBLE WOMEN

			Supported by
1—Nannie Battle	1899	City Work School, Soochow, China	First Church, Shreveport.
2—Dorothy Wilmot	1901	Changsu, China	Rayne Memorial Auxiliary.
3—Priscilla Bentley	1908	Alice Cobb Bible School, Wonsan, Korea	Carrolton Ave. Aux., New Orleans.
4—Hattie Haas	1912	Chul Won, Korea	Mrs. W. D. Haas, Alexandria.
5—Hester Thompson Smith,	1925	Choon Chun Station, Korea	Noel Mem. Aux., Shreveport.
6—Sallie Sexton	1928	Native Teacher, Japan	Gleaners, First Church, Shreveport.

SCHOLARSHIPS—FOREIGN

1—Lee Dicks	1899	Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea	Monroe Auixilary.
2—Belle O'Pry	1905	Roberts College, Saltillo, Mexico	Rayne Memorial Aux., New Orleans.
3—Anna Trosper	1913	Lucy Cunninggim School, Korea	Monroe Auxiliary.
4—Mary Keener	1919	Roberts College, Saltillo, Mexico	First Church Auxiliary, New Orleans.

DEACONESSES AND MISSIONARIES

1—Missionary Anna B. Williams	1916	35 Nakayamate Dori, Kobe, Japan	First Church Auxiliary, Shreveport.
2—Deaconess Ella Hooper	1919	McDonnell Wesley House, Houma, La.	First Ch. Aux. S'port & La. Conf.
3—Missionary Clara Chalmers	1921	Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas, Cuba	Louisiana Conference.
4—Deaconess Shelia Nuttall	1927	Ruston District	Louisiana Conference.
5—Missionary Ava Morton	1931	China	Louisiana Conference.
6—Deaconess Mary Freeman	1928	Jubilee Inn, Shreveport	Sup. by Board City Missios, S'port.
7—Deaconess Verna Webster		66th St. Methodist Church, Cedar Grove,	Louisiana Conference.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ROLL

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. Carmen White, given by Rochelle Auxiliary; Mrs. R. H. Adams, by Rochelle Auxiliary; Mrs. E. R. Brewer, by Tullos Auxiliary; Mrs. Nancy Towsley, by Olla and Rochelle Auxiliaries; Mrs. Harvey George, by Zone 3; Mrs. B. K. Boydstun, by Mrs. J. C. Palmer; Rev. W. D. Milton, by Trout, Goodpine and Searcy Auxiliaries; Mrs. M. H. Foster, by Gleaners, First Church Alexandria; Mrs. R. S. Roland, by First Church Alexandria; Mrs. W. W. Wilson, by Natchitoches Auxiliary.

Babies

Ronald Rudolph Beebe, given by Tullos Auxiliary; Ann Williams, by her parents, Many; Margaret Ann Robinson, by Zone 3; Mary Ann Thompson, by Zone 4; Margaret Ann Butler, by Zone 3; Patricia Jean Allums, by grandparents; Rachal Branton, by Natchitoches Auxiliary; Edwin Hassell Daniels, by mother, Pineville; Mary Margaret Edwards, by Mrs. Daniels Pineville; Rae Sonier, by Zone 3.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. L. C. McVoy, given by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. J. W. Steinwinder, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. Hooker Williams, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. F. W. Raggio, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. J. E. Lawton, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. William Schule, by Zone 1.

Babies

James Ford Harvey, given by Jackson Auxiliary; Patricia Ruth Magee, by Franklinton Auxiliary; Sally Evelyn Babington, by Franklinton Auxiliary; Margaret Ann Dolan, by Franklinton Auxiliary; Elizabeth Ann Kennedy, First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Larry P. Love, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Patricia Kay Russell, by Amite Auxiliary; Martha Elizabeth Bozeman, by Greensburg Auxiliary; Lyle Vickers Burns, by Istrouma; Gloria Lanell Watson, by Zone 3; Barbara Ann Watts, by Blackwater Auxiliary; Clifford E. Keowen, by Blackwater Auxiliary; Leslie Oliver Beckham, by St. Francisville Auxiliary; Robert Lee Bickham, by St. Francisville Auxiliary; Ray Oliver Dreher, St. Francisville Auxiliary; Cathrine Fay Reams, New Hope Auxiliary; Carl Luig, Jr., by Hammond Auxiliary; Albert M. McConnell, by Clinton Auxiliary.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. C. C. Carver, by Zone 2; Mrs. L. W. McLaurin, by Lafayette Auxiliary; Mrs. W. F. Johnson, by her children, Rayne; Mrs. P. D. Berand, by Lafayette Auxiliary.

Babies

Mary Pearl Jackson, given by Many Auxiliary; Inza Elizabeth Curtis, by Rayne Auxiliary.

MONROE DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. J. B. Raulinson, given by Bastrop Auxiliary; Miss Juanita Porter, by her mother; Mrs. J. W. Worthington, by Lena Monk Circle, Monroe.

Babies

Albert Gordon Luckett, given by Gordon Avenue Auxiliary; Carol Sue Elliot, by Monroe First Church Auxiliary; Patrick Robert Percy, by Monroe First Church Auxiliary; Lillian White, by Monroe First Church Auxiliary; Annette Vining, by Pioneer Auxiliary; Mac Hatch Deloney, by Mrs. B. F. Hatch, Waterproof Auxiliary; Janet Oglesby, by Waterproof Auxiliary; Albert W. Riggs, by Mrs. B. F. Hatch, Buckner; Leroy Elsworth Brady, by West Monroe; Elsa Emmerich, by Oak Grove Auxiliary; Marion Louise Liph, by Oak Grove Auxiliary.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. W. O. Kernan, given by First Church, New Orleans Auxiliary; Mrs. Jennie Applewhite, by Bogalusa Auxiliary; Mrs. C. D. Tisdale, by Bogalusa Auxiliary; Mrs. C. Plummer, by Bogalusa Auxiliary.

Juniors

Lettye Jane Swan, by grandmother; Velvye Swan, by grandmother.

Babies

Olive Jeanne Castle, by Carrolton Avenue; Eleanor Wright, by grandmother, Bogalusa; Harvey Benson Hysell, by Parker Memorial Auxiliary; John Russell Mott, by Carrolton Avenue Auxiliary.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew, by Homer Auxiliary; Mrs. S. J. Beene, by Haynesville Auxiliary; Mrs. Dora McEachern, by her children; Mrs. A. D. Henry, Arcadia, by Mrs. F. T. Taylor; Mrs. W. R. Whitaker, by Farmerville and family; Mrs. S. I. Cole, by Ruston Auxiliary; Mrs. Hugh Taylor, by Homer Auxiliary; Mrs. J. A. Norris, by Ruston Auxiliary; Mrs. Robt. Wynn, by Minden Auxiliary; Mrs. O. D. Lowe, by Minden Auxiliary.

Babies

Peggie Ann Holland, by Minden Auxiliary; Priscilla Heard, by Ruston Auxiliary; Mary Camille Harper, by grandmother; Jacqueline James, by grandmother; Laura Margaret James, by grandmother; Billie James, by grandmother; Tommie James, by grandmother; Reuna Katherine James, by grandmother; F. B. James, Jr., by grandmother; Robt. Kennon Cathey, Arcadia, by parents; Martha Ann Madden, Arcadia, by Mrs. F. T. Taylor; Gayle Austin Oakley, Arcadia, by parents; Janice Dennis, Hodge Auxiliary; Margaret McLean, by Hodge Auxiliary; Betty Lou Etta, by Hodge Auxiliary; Sallie Beth Tatum, Homer, by grandmother; Betty Woodward, by Arcadia Auxiliary.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. Robt. Brown, given by Mangum Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. J. I. Kimble, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. J. F. Stephens, by Coushatta Auxiliary; Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Rasmussen, by Mansfield Auxiliary; Mrs. N. L. Hudson, by Cedar Grove Auxiliary; Mrs. V. L. Fulton, by First Church Auxiliary, Shreveport; Mrs. Mary Cagle, by Coushatta Auxiliary; Mrs. C. W. Lane, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. R. J. O'Neal, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. W. B. Noel, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. A. C. Lawton, by Cedar Grove Auxiliary; Mrs. A. Troup Nelson, by Peavy Circle, First Church Auxiliary; Mrs. R. H. Staples, by Coushatta Auxiliary; Mrs. W. P. Belcher, by Benton Auxiliary; Mrs. Nettie Robinson, by Mangum Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. R. T. Ware, by Park Avenue Auxiliary; Mrs. Etta Garrett, by Logansport Auxiliary; Mrs. M. D. Hargrove, by Gleaners, First Church Auxiliary.

Juniors

Betty Jean Ogilvie, by mother, Coushatta.

Babies

William Dobbs Serex; Maryln Scott, by Y. W. Circle, Mangum Memorial; Ann Brooks, by Mooringsport Auxiliary; Shirley Byron Russell, by Brice Circle, Mangum Memorial; Janice Ware, by Mrs. H. B. Wren; Mary Ann Rembert, by Park Avenue Auxiliary; William L. Fleming, by Shreveport District; Janet Phillips, by Plain Dealing Auxiliary; Loy Beene Moore, by Mrs. L. Beene, First Church Auxiliary; Patricia Ann Foster, by Baird Circle, First Church Auxiliary; Robert Young Nelson, by Benton Auxiliary; Peggie Louise Hughes, by Pelican Auxiliary; Edward Gill, by City Mission Board; Ann Carlisle, by grandmother, East Point; Jeanne Brickell, by grandmother, East Point; George M. Gilmer, by grandmother, Stonewall; Joy Lynn Davis, by Mangum Memorial Auxiliary; Eddie Claire Ensminger, by Wynn Memorial Auxiliary; Ruby Ann Barnes, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Marilyn Carroll, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Rachel Branton, by Natchitoches Auxiliary.

REPORT OF YOUNG WOMEN'S GROUPS

Seven years ago our Conference met in Baton Rouge. That was the beginning of our young women's work. These have been seven happy years of service for me as secretary of young women. At first it seemed hard to get started, as we knew so little about how to begin, but we didn't get discouraged and now thanks to our women for their faithfulness and cooperation we are steadily growing. Just look around you at an annual or District Conference and you will see our efforts have not been in vain. We have more young women than ever before in our Missionary Societies. From "The Panel Discussion" held last year we found out that our young women want to work with us. They are not afraid of responsibility, and are willing to accept some, but need the guiding hand of the older women who have had more experience. We also learned that the older women welcomed their younger sisters with opened hearts.

Our reports from all departments last year were splendid and we realize more than ever before that by working together we can accomplish greater things for our Master.

I am now mailing literature to 48 circles. However, under our standing Rules of the Conference, Article 10, I am sure we can't really count all of these as Young Women Circles, for a number of these have been organized longer than two years. Last year there were six new circles and five integrated. One circle pays a full time scholarship at Houma, others are paying part time. Most all have their Bible and Mission Study and are deeply interested in Spiritual Life. About 45 are subscribers to the World Outlook.

Several groups have given both adult and baby life memberships. From the above report you may clearly see that our young women have been busy the past year and are doing their best to help carry on the full program of the society. Thanks to all who have worked and helped to make this report one to be proud of. It has been a great privilege to serve in a small way.

MRS. H. J. POWERS,
Secretary of Young Women's Groups.

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CHILDREN'S DIVISION

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the President, Officers and Members of the Annual Conference
Woman's Missionary Society of Louisiana:

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 29-April 1, 1938.

The year 1937 has been epoch making in the Children's Division in Louisiana. More churches and children have been reached than any year previous, since the promotion of the Co-operative Plan for the Missionary Education of children. Reports which were received from the local secretaries were indeed excellent in spirit. The far-reaching effect of the Missionary Units, the resourcefulness of leaders, the interest and enthusiasm on the part of the children is most gratifying.

In April, 1937, our unit was a study of China. As a result of the study our children feel quite near to the children of China during the present hostilities.

In December, the unit was "Christmas Around The World." Many thought this the most beautiful unit of all. The children learned how other nations have shared their Christmas Music, stories, pictures, poems and customs with us, and discovered that the whole world has Christmas because the whole world has Christ.

It seems that each succeeding piece of work that is co-operatively planned for our division by our General Board and our Board of Missions is more interesting and inspiring than the last. We hope that the seeds of kindly attitudes and friendly feelings that are being sown in the hearts of our children will yield a harvest that will result ultimately in a world of peaceful nations.

NUMBER OF CHURCHES REPORTING THE FRIENDSHIP UNITS DURING THE YEAR, 1937, BY DISTRICTS IS AS FOLLOWS:

	Spring Unit		Christmas Unit	
	Pri.	Jr.	Pri.	Jr.
Alexandria	6	7	12	12
Baton Rouge	12	10	13	13
Lake Charles	8	8	9	9
Monroe	7	7	10	10
New Orleans	7	6	4	5
Ruston	12	12	12	12
Shreveport	8	8	12	12
TOTAL	60	58	72	73
No. Children attend'g	1061	1150	1207	1414
No. Churches having extra sessions	27	31	31	33

Council Treasurer reports Louisiana Children's Division paid in 1937 for Fourth Sunday Missionary Offering, $519.52.

Although, the above statistical report shows an increase in the total number of children reached by our co-operative missionary unit during the past year, I feel that the heart of the report is embodied in the many personal experiences reported, and in the numerous unsung instances of change in attitudes and growth in outlook, in the appreciation and in understanding of people of other lands. In the face of critical situations which exist in so many parts of the world today, it seems to me that no part of our task is more important than giving to our children a basic concept of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. To help them root their lives in an unconquerable belief in the ultimate triumph of this Christian ideal in the world, so that they will be willing to face anything for it—is to provide for coming generations a future more secure than these days in which we are now living. To this task I am glad to give my best efforts, and I am grateful for the group of loyal Missionary Women, and most especially the Secretaries of Children's Work, with whom I have the privilege of working.

MRS. J. M. EICHER, Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK

The Committee on Children's Work recommends:

1. That early in October the nominating committee of the Woman's Missionary Society in each church be asked to consider for the office of secretary of children's work one of the following persons: A teacher or officer of the primary or junior department of the church school, or some other member of the Woman's Missionary Society who is vitally interested in children's work.

2. That in addition to the representative of the Woman's Missionary Society on the Board of Christian Education, the pastor be asked wherever practicable to appoint the Secretary of Children's Work as one of the members at large, and that these two representatives of the Missionary Society keep the Board well informed concerning missionary units in order that provision for their regular study in the church school may be made.

3. That time be given at district and zone meetings, at least once during the year, for the presentation of the co-operative plan and current missionary units.

4. That the conference secretary of Children's Work co-operate with the Conference Board of Christian Education in promoting joint assemblies, camps, or institutes for children's workers throughout the conference, and that wherever possible the local auxiliaries help to provide funds to send local secretaries of Children's Work to such meetings.

5. That the secretary of Children's Work use all means available to see that the fourth Sunday missionary offerings are properly channeled; that she encourage the church school workers to educate the children as to the purposes of this special fund; and that she keep her auxiliary informed as to the amount given through the fourth Sunday offerings by all divisions of the church school throughout the year.

6. That the secretary of Children's Work encourage and wherever needed assist in the promotion of vacation church schools, particularly when missionary texts are used.

MRS. J. M. EICHER, Chairman

MRS. DAVID TARVER, Secretary.

INFORMATION ON CHILDREN'S WORK

Local Needs Report Blanks. World Friendship Bulletin for Secretary of Children's Work.	Mrs. J. M. Eicher 1801 Tulip St. Baton Rouge, La.
Leaflets Co-operative Plan for Missionary Education in Children's Division Revised each year—free.	Mrs. J. M. Eicher 1801 Tulip St. Baton Rouge, La.
No. 182-H—Missionary Education in Children's Division $0.05.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.
Subscription to Elementary Teacher—Single $1.00 year. 5 or more, one address each, $0.90 year. To be furnished by local church.	
Missionary Units, Primary, Junior, $0.25 each. Order in January for Spring Unit. Order in September for Fall Unit. Picture Sheet for Unit, $0.15 each.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.
Group Graded Lessons, Primary, Junior. Subscriptions to Boys and Girls.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.
Magazines Exhibits and other suggested materials for each unit—suggested in above units.	Literature Headquarters Children's Division, W.M.S. 706 Church St. Nashville, Tenn.
Vacation Church Schools Order from List sent out by General Board of Education. Prices vary.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICITY

To the Woman's Missionary Society, Louisiana Conference:

The quadrennium in which I have served as your Superintendent of Literature and Publicity has been a very happy one, filled with many privileges and many blessings.

In looking back over the four years past, I feel that we have progressed. I am sure there is a greater consciousness, among the auxiliaries and individuals, of this department of work, and there has been a decided increase in interest in our literature and in subscriptions to The World Outlook. Book sales at the Annual Meetings have increased from year to year, showing an increasing desire among our women for information and inspiration.

During May, 1937, I had the privilege of serving with Mrs. Sexton and representatives from other Conferences, on an Evaluating Committee, selected to make a study and evaluation of all our literature. From this study emerged suggestions for improvement as well as a new appreciation for the high quality of literature provided.

In 1937 Louisiana Conference did splendid work with The World Outlook. From May to December, we gained 117 subscriptions. We failed to reach our conference goal by only thirty-three. Ruston District gained the largest number of subscriptions, thirty-six; and Baton Rouge District came next with thirty. Many Auxiliaries are now designating The World Outlook Superintendent as a separate officer, and I feel that this has contributed in large part to the fine work of 1937. Our Conference goal for 1938 is 1581 or an increase of seventy over the subscription list of December 31, 1937. Each District is being asked to gain at least ten World Outlook subscriptions during 1938.

Wesley Auxiliary, Monroe District, again led in the Conference World Outlook project for which the World Outlook Loving Cup is awarded each year. Tullos Auxiliary, Alexandria District, came second.

I can not emphasize too strongly the importance of sending quarterly reports. Of the 219 auxiliaries in our Conference only thirty-five qualified for the Publicity Honor Roll by sending both World Outlook and Publicity and Literature reports all four quarters of 1937. Of this number Monroe District had the largest number, nine. There were 114 auxiliaries, or fifty-two per cent, that reported one or more quarters in 1937.

To Mrs. Hyams and Mrs. Cunningham, Editors of The Louisiana News, and to Mrs. Pollard, Editor of the Conference page in the

New Orleans Christian Advocate, we again express our grateful appreciation for their faithful and efficient service, and I should like to encourage a greater use of these papers.

In this Aldersgate year, when our minds are filled with the spiritual implications of the "heart warming experience," may each one of us have that knowledge of God that came to John Wesley so that we may say with him "The world is my parish."

MRS. G. W. DAMERON.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSION AND BIBLE STUDY

Last year we reported the study of "A Preface to Racial Understanding" as being most profitable because of the service inspired by its study. I feel that this year we have made a distinct advance in another way. Perhaps because The Moslem World is so far from us that our service could not be so direct, we did not make so many reports as to what we did as a direct outcome of the study. But our hearts were touched and our sympathies deepened by the knowledge gained of our sisters in a far-away land. This year, instead of studying a book, we really studied a subject, "The Moslem World." We were more anxious to find outside material and put our hearts into it. As we studied the God-consciousness of an alien people we realized more than ever the Universal Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of us all. I believe more than ever we are relating our study to life.

I held Coaching Day in the Monroe District, assisted in Officers' Training Day and presented the work in zone meetings. That Coaching Days are bearing fruit is found in the fact that we have adhered more closely to the prescribed course of study. Some still are not using the books recommended by Council as the current books, hence do not make the Efficiency aim.

The increase in Bible and Mission study classes is very gratifying, there being 25 more Bible and 11 more mission study classes than last year. There were 1163 more members of the study classes this year than last.

My statistical report is as follows:

Number of Mission Study classes reported..... 222
Number of members of Mission Study classes.....4706
Number of Bible Study classes reported..... 170
Number of members of Bible Study classes.....5126
Number receiving Council Certificates..... 71

May our study classes be a means of enrichment of life, Christian fellowship, and a training for Christian service.

Respectfully submitted,

BLANCHE R. COLLINS

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The Committee on Education submits the following recommendations:

1. That we try to enlist every woman in the church in our Mission and Bible Study classes.
2. That only books recommended by Council for the current year be used as texts for both Mission and Bible study
3. That every auxiliary study two Mission books and one Bible study during the year, planning to begin with a Mission study in October.
4. That we strive to make our Bible study a real study with the quality of teaching and class work equal to that done in our Mission Study classes.
5. That every auxiliary try to send the study leader to the Conference for Christian Workers at Centenary College, Shreveport, June 13 to 18.
6. That one or more training classes for study leaders be held in each district in September. When the zone meeting is used for Coaching Day, the full day should be given to that purpose.
7. That a Findings Committee be appointed at the organization of the class to bring in suggestions for future action.
8. That study leaders use their influence to secure more Mission and Stewardship Courses in Standard Training Schools.
9. That we make a greater effort to establish a library or bookshelf in the auxiliaries, collecting texts and helps of all kinds to aid in Missionary Education.
10. That the topics of study for 1938-39 be: (a) Home, The Church in the City. (b) Foreign India.
11. That, inasmuch as Mission courses and other opportunities for Missionary education are provided in the young people's district camps and in the Conference assembly, auxiliaries cooperate in sending young people to these training groups.
12. That, in keeping with the recommendation from the Woman's Missionary Council, auxiliaries be urged to provide the local young people's division of the Church School with a subscription to "The World Outlook" to help in their Missionary programs.
13. That each auxiliary send in reports for publicity, and literature, and for The World Outlook, and that no auxiliary which fails to send both reports for each quarter will be considered eligible for the Publicity Honor Roll.
14. That the Louisiana News and Missionary Bulletin be presented each month to the auxiliary, and that articles for the Louisiana

News be sent to Mrs. V. C. Hyams or to Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, Natchitoches, La., not later than the 10th. of the month.

15. That the Superintendent of Literature and Publicity acquaint herself with the entire program of the Woman's Missionary Society that she may more adequately disseminate missionary news in the auxiliary and church and that she may give more adequate publicity to the activities of the society.

16. That each auxiliary make a study of all the literature provided for its use and help, and that a systematic effort be made to place The World Outlook in every home represented by the membership of the auxiliaries.

MARY LOU BARNWELL, Chairman
MRS. T. F. WILBANKS, Secretary.

REQUIREMENTS FOR MISSION STUDY CLASSES

The following requirements must be met by Mission Study classes receiving special recognition from the Woman's Missionary Council:

I. Textbook.

The textbook used in Special Council classes must be selected from the list recommended by the Woman's Missionary Council for the current year (1938-39).

II. Class Sessions.

The class shall meet for six sessions of one hour each or four sessions of one and one-half hours each. These sessions may be held within one week or any time within six consecutive weeks, provided no two sessions are held on the same day.

III. Attendance.

An average attendance of 75 per cent of the members of the class must attend all class sessions.

IV. Preparation, Assignments.

Students must read the text and make outside preparation and must participate in class work as called on by the teacher.

Members of the class shall read the text, and, in addition, definite assignments shall be given them by the teacher. This may be reading from supplementary materials, research, co-operative activities, etc., that require outside preparation.

V. Teacher.

The teacher shall be qualified for the work by consecration to the task, by sufficient educational background and by a willingness

to use every opportunity for becoming a trained and experienced teacher.

VI. Method.

The discussion method is recommended as most successful in stimulating group study and participation. The lecture method alone is not acceptable.

VII. Report and Recognition Card.

A report of the class must be made to the Conference Superintendent of Study on this blank furnished by her. She shall examine it, and, if requirements are met, send the report to the Council Officer in charge of Study, who will issue a recognition card for work meeting the required standard.

All applications should reach the Conference Officer by December 31, so as to be included in the yearly report.

BOOKS FOR STUDY

Foreign Topic—India

"The Church Takes Root in India," by Basil Mathews. Inspired by his recent sojourn in India, the author draws a vivid picture of the rapidly growing Christian community in that land. Because nine-tenths of India's population is rural, he describes in detail the complex relationships of village life. Throughout the book one is aware of the vigorous life of the church as it sends its roots into the soil of India. Cloth, $1.00; paper 60 cents.

"A Course for Adults on India," by J. H. P. Sailer. Teaching and discussion plans, based on the new study and reading books. Paper 25 cents.

Home Topic—The City

"The American City and Its Church," by Samuel C. Kincheloe. A missionary task of the greatest urgency faces the churches in their ministry to our rapidly increasing urban population. Dr. Kincheloe is a leading authority on the study of city church problems. His book offers a vigorous treatment of a situation that ought to command the thoughtful attention of all Christian people. Also recommended for older young people. Cloth, $1.00; paper 60 cents.

Suggestions to Leaders of Study Classes Using "The American City and Its Church" by Kenneth D. Miller. Paper 15 cents.

"By the Waters of Bethesda," by J. M. Ormond. This book attempts to show the conditions that obtain in the average rural community of the South today, some of the factors that make for change, and particularly the trends for the future. Paper, 25 cents.

"Rebuilding Rural America," by Mark Dawber. The rural situation in America today creates problems of the greatest national importance. The author reports graphically what is happening to rural America, describes constructive enterprises that the churches are undertaking and makes a strong appeal for united action by all Christian forces. Cloth, $1.00; paper, 60 cents.

(A class making use of either of the above books should supplement the study with the other book. Both books are important.)

"The Church and American Rural Life," by Benson Y. Landis. Based primarily upon Rebuilding Rural America, this course by the Secretary of the American Country Life Association gives helpful suggestions for study groups in both city and country churches. Paper, 25 cents.

Approved Bible Studies

"The Message of Stewardship," by Ralph S. Cushman, $1.00.

"Stewardship for All of Life," by Luther E. Lovejoy. 50 cents.

"Christian Motive and Method in Stewardship," by H. B. Trimble. $1.00.

"The Stewardship Life," by J. E. Crawford. 50 cents.

"Songs in the Night," A series of studies from Isaiah 40-55, by Mary DeBardeleben. 25 cents.

"The Radiant Heart," A study in Philippians, by Costen J. Harrell. 25 cents.

"The Way of the Witness." A New Testament study in missionary motive and message, by Edward Shillito. Paper, 50 cents.

"The Teacher and the Book," by L. B. Phifer. 50 cents.

"The Life of Christ," by Umphrey Lee. 50 cents.

"The Story of the Old Testament," by Goodspeed. $1.00.

"The Story of the New Testament," by Goodspeed. $1.00.

"The Story of the Bible," by Goodspeed. (Being the story of the New Testament and the story of the Old Testament in one volume.) $1.50.

"His Witnesses," by Andrew Sleed. 60 cents.

"The Message of Jesus," by Harvie Branscomb. 60 cents.

"The Prophets of Israel," by Costen J. Harrell. 60 cents.

For Libraries or Study

"How to Use the Bible," by John W. Coutts. 50 cents.

"Great Souls at Prayer," by Mary DeBardeleben. 25 cents.

"Pleaders for Righteousness," by George B. Winton. $1.00.

"The Message of the Fourth Gospel," by Elbert Russell. $1.50.

"Life and Letters of Paul," by Thomas Carter. $1.00.

"Heart Messages from the Psalms," by R. W. Keeler. 50 cents.

"The Teachings of Jesus on Human Relations," by J. S. Hoyland. 50 cents.

"St. Mark's Life of Christ," by Andrew Sledd. 60 cents.
"Studies in the Parables of Jesus," by G. A. Buttrick. $1.00.

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The record of the work done in the Department of Christian Social Relations during the year 1937 does not show any outstanding achievements, but we have made definite progress.

There has been an improvement in organization and in the number of auxiliaries reporting. The interest is increasing and many of our societies are carrying on a splendid program.

The chairmen of our five divisions have been active in the work, and have done a great deal to promote interest, especially in their own districts.

International Relations and World Peace: This has been a difficult subject, due to wars and the continual threat of prospective wars. Mrs. J. W. Worthington, our chairman, has given a great deal of time and study to this work. Letters were sent to each zone leader with suggestions for programs. Studies of Peace Packets and Marathon Round Tables on the cause and cure of war have been made. The women are anxious to do all they can to preserve peace.

Mrs. Roger Sharp, Chairman of Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, reports many interesting things accomplished. Through the Federation of Christian Social Relations Superintendent in the City of New Orleans was successful in a campaign against slot machines; in cooperation with other organizations, succeeded in freeing the Public Library of the city from political control.

The liquor question has been greatly in the minds of our women and due directly to their efforts, three parishes voted "Dry."

Juvenile delinquency has stimulated a study of Juvenile Courts in two of our larger cities and measures have been advocated for the prevention of this alarming problem.

Following Dr. Parran's lecture on Syphilis in Shreveport, the church and club women lent active support to the medical society in the war to stamp out the disease.

Miss Suzie Lyons, the chairman of Industrial Relations, has kept in close touch with the Labor Legislation, and was asked by Miss F. Perkins to serve as a delegate and take part in the discussion at a recent conference in New Orleans.

Miss Lyons reports that a study of the State laws for children and marriage laws reveals the fact that no code for children and none for marriage laws has ever been compiled.

Inter-racial co-operation. This division of our work has been given a great deal of attention. Mrs. J. B. Foster, Chairman reports many important activities. One of the outstanding was a Standard Training School for colored church workers held in Shreveport when certificates were given. The schools have been visited and suggestions for improvement in buildings and school grounds have met with success.

The rural work of our State has gone forward. Mrs. W. E. Fine of Homer is the chairman of this division. Rural surveys have been made and rural church conditions have been studied. Instructive zone programs on rural work have been given.

Miss S. Nuttall, our rural worker in Monroe district, will give a report of the work done on the Bonita charge.

The following are those auxiliaries to receive Council recognition for efficiency:

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT —Alexandria 1st Church and Gleaners; Natchitoches, Pineville, Bunkie, Palmetto, Rochelle, Jena.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT—Baton Rouge 1st Church, Greensburg, Hammond, Ponchatoula, Ethel, Jackson, New Hope, Tunis.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT—Lake Charles, Lafayette, Leesville, Many, Merryville, Elizabeth.

MONROE DISTRICT —Bastrop, Columbia, Mer Rouge, Monroe, 1st Church, Gordon Avenue, Oak Ridge, Sterlington, West Monroe, Delhi, Epps, Lake Providence, Pioneer, Tallulah, Buckner, Gilbert, Little Creek, Mangham, St. Joseph, Waterproof, Wesley, Winnsboro, Wisner.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT—Algiers, Carrollton Ave., First Church, Parker Memorial, Rayne Memorial, Bogalusa, Houma, Golden Meadows.

RUSTON DISTRICT —Homer, Hilly, Ruston, Arcadia, Gibsland, Haughton, Minden, Ringgold, Clay, Dodson, Hodge, Jonesboro.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT —Gilliam, Noel Memorial, Benton, Plain Dealing, Mangham Memorial, Wynne Memorial, Cedar Grove, Greenwood, Coushatta, Harmon, Logansport, Mansfield, Shreveport 1st Church, Shreveport Gleaners, Pelican.

A summary of Christian Social Relations Activities for 1937:

Number of Auxiliaries reporting one or more times.....147
Number of Auxiliaries sending four quarterly reports..... 76
Number of Auxiliaries having committees.....125
Number of Auxiliaries studying Christian Social Relations.....147
Number of Auxiliaries studying or promoting peace.....123
Number of Auxiliaries studying or promoting Christian Citizenship 132
Number of Auxiliaries studying or promoting Indusctrial Relations 18
Number of Auxiliaries studying or promoting Inter-racial Cooperation 139
Number of Auxiliaries studying or promoting Rural Development 73

MRS. D. C. METCALF, Superintendent
Christian Social Relations.

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

We recommend:

1. That a health program be continued, particularly stressing health programs for our colored population.

2. That every auxiliary superintendent of Christian Social Relations be provided with a copy of the minutes and the booklet "Auxiliary Activities in Christian Social Relations."

3. That Zone leaders be asked to have at least one program each year on Christian Social Relations.

4. That the books recommended by Council be given special attention, and lending libraries on reading circles be established.

5. That in every town where there is more than one M. E. Church, South, a Federation be organized of Christian Social Relations superintendents and their committees; in towns of only one M. E. Church, South, an interdenominational Federation be organized wherever practicable, the local Christian Social Relations Superintendent being the leader of the movement.

6. That Christian Social Relations committees co-operate with other agencies for public welfare. Example, Board of Christian Education for its temperance program, Parent-Teacher Association for its educational program, etc.

7. That the Conference provide for the attendance of the Superintendent of Christian Social Relations at a Leadership School.

COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS

Christian Citizenship and Law Observance

We recommend:

1. (a) A study of the City with relation to Health and Crime.
   (b) The study of Penology and the abuse of the Parole system.

2. That we work for the recommendations as outlined by the Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching, as follows:
   (a) The education of public opinion.
   (b) The prevention of lynchings.

3. That should a Federal Anti-lynching law be passed, we study its provisions and support it to the utmost.

4. That we work for stronger and more effective state laws, seeking to have incorporated such provisions as:
   (a) More authority for the Governor of a state in the event of a lynching or threatened lynching.
   (b) A mandatory change of venue for the accused.

5. That auxiliaries continue their work for the removal of slot machines and the elimination of other gambling devices.

Interracial Co-operation.

We recommend:

1. That in order to raise the standards of household employment: Conferences' auxiliaries and missionary women co-operate with the W. P. A. and N. Y. A. training projects for household servants; with Junior Leagues, Y. W. C. A.'s and Woman's Clubs in improving conditions of household employment.

2. That Conferences, Districts, Zones and Auxiliaries co-operate with the C. M. E. Church in their program of Leadership Training, especially by assisting delegates to attend their Training Schools.

3. That auxiliaries continue the Community studies and activities in interracial co-operation began with the study of "A Preface to Racial Understanding."

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

1. That rural missionary societies seek in every way possible to relate the church to the community needs and to work for the betterment of the community, co-operating with the welfare agencies in the development of an adequate program of health education, economic life, etc.

2. That in the study of "Rebuilding Rural America" the rural missionary societies seek to discover its meaning in their own communities.

3. That Guide No. 2 of the Rural Community series dealing with the question of Health be used by rural missionary societies. In parishes where there are no Parish Health Units, the missionary societies endeavor to create public opinion for its establishment.

4. That each Conference have a standing committee on Rural Work to co-operate with the various church agencies active in the conference.

International Relations and World Peace.

We recommend:

1. That during the year 1938 we lay major emphasis on the necessity of the co-operation of the United States with other nations to eliminate war and to establish and maintain peace with justice.

2. That the auxiliary women take the initiative in forming Peace Councils in their communities; such councils to be nondenominational.

3. That auxiliaries make a study of the various bills coming before Congress relative to International Relations, and register their convictions with their Congressmen.

4. That international activities for the promotion of Health be studied.

Industrial Relations.

Realizing the increasing need of a guide to our thinking in the midst of the confusion of the industrial world today, we recommend:

1. To Council and Conference Committees a continued research along the line of Economic Relations.

2. That auxiliary committees make a study of "Our Wants and How They are Satisfied," by Mollie Ray Carroll, using the questionaire and study guide to be found at the end of each chapter.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

We rejoice in the action of the Department of Education and Promotion, whereby courses especially planned to interpret the field of work for Christian Social Relations will be offered in the Leadership Schools at Lake Junaluska and Mt. Sequoyah, and

We recommend:

1. That Conferences provide for the attendance of their Conference Superintendents of Christian Social Relations at one of these schools and that $10.00 be appropriated from the Bureau of Chris-

tian Social Relations appropriations for each Conference Superintendent's expenses who attends.

2. That the work of Christian Social Relations be emphasized and interpreted at a zone meeting during the year.

3. That auxiliary superintendents make selections from the list of recommended pamphlets, packets, and books; that they secure them, that the cost be met from local funds and that they promote the circulation, reading and study of these materials by committee and auxiliary members.

RECOMMENDED LIST FOR CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS STUDY

Christian Citizenship and Law Observance

Our Community and Christian Ideals—Eugene Nielford Shrigley, Abingdon Press, 40 cents.

Survey Graphic—Monthly Magazine.

Readers Digest—Series of articles by Frank Kent.

International Conciliation—25 cents per year published at 405 West 117th St., New York City.

Pamphlets:

Christian Attitude Toward Labor) Rev. James Myers, Fed. Council
The Christian Community) of Churches, 105 E. 22nd St.,
Churches in Social Action) New York City.

Crime, Business and Government and other primers published by University of Chicago Press, 10 cents.

Women in Industry—Free from U. S. Department of Labor.

A Step Forward—U. S. Department of Interior, 10 cents.

Christian Education and the Alcohol Problem, International Council of Religious Education publishers, 203 North Wabash Ave., Chicago.

Citizenship Packet, 15 cents, Literature Headquarters.

Think a Minute Series, 10 cents, W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill.

Report of Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching, 1938, 710 Standard Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

International Relations and World Peace.

"Christian Missions and World Peace," Harold Fey, Friendship Press, 35 cents.

"An American Doctor's Odessey," Victor Heiser, M. D., $3.50.

"Billions for Defense" and other Headsline Books, 25 cents.
Foreign Policy Association, 8 W. 40th St., New York City.

"Prelude to Peace," Dr. Henry Atkinson, $2.00, Harper Bros.

"Five Minutes to Twelve," Dr. Odolf Keller, Cokesbury Press, $1.00

"Economic Cause of War," 15 cents, National Peace Conference, 8 W. 40th St., New York City.

"Economics and Peace," 25 cents, Marc A. Rose and others.

"Building an Inter-American Neighborhood," 35 cents, Samuel Guy Inman.

"Farm Youth Talks About War," 25 cents, National Council for Prevention of War, 532 17th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. B. SMITH, Chairman,
MRS. T. A. BENNINGTON, Secretary.

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RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, We believe that ignorance breeds crime and unhappiness; and

WHEREAS, Free public libraries in every parish in Louisiana would provide an equal opportunity for enlightenment and wholesome recreation to all citizens; and,

WHEREAS, 50 out of 64 parishes in the state have no public library within their borders;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That all the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, respectfully urge Governor Leche and the members of the Legislature to make state funds as requested by the Louisiana Library Commission available for the establishment of new libraries and the strengthening of existing libraries for the coming biennium.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be sent to the Governor, the Lieutenant-Governor, and to the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.

Governor Richard W. Leche,
State Capitol, Baton Rouge, La.
Lieutenant-Governor Earl K. Long,
State Capitol, Baton Rouge, La.
Mr. J. W. Etheridge, Chairman
Appropriations Committee,
Colfax, La.

WHEREAS, Only seven states in the United States have an eleven year school plan and Louisiana is one of the seven, and

WHEREAS, The Children of Louisiana are seriously handicapped by being deprived of an additional year of schooling, and

WHEREAS, The State Board of Education has recommended the twelve year school plan for the schools of Louisiana and authorized parish School Boards to ad the additional grade, and

WHEREAS, The Parish School Boards are already heavily committed with obligations under the laws of the state, and, therefore, unable to finance the project,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, join the Louisiana Parent-Teacher Association in urging the State Legislature to appropriate sufficient funds for the addition of another grade to the Public Schools of our State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the State Superintendent, Mr. Harris, Governor Leche, and the Press; and that member Auxiliaries be asked to contact their State Senators and Congressmen in regard to this project.

BE IT RESOLVED, That we go on record in the expression of a strong disapproval of the recent filibuster in the U. S. Senate, whereby action on the Anti-Lynching Bill was blocked. By this method a small minority was able to prevent the democratic processes for which our nation stands.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we pledge ourselves to a continued effort to eradicate the evil of lynching through education in our local communities and through the promotion of proper legislation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent our Representatives in Washington.

WHEREAS, The Industrial Mobilization Bill (Successor to the Hill-Sheppard Bill HR 9604 Introduced by Mr. May) fails to promote peace or to take the profits out of war, and

WHEREAS, It endangers Democracy by establishing a Fascistic form of Government in time of war.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Louisiana go on record as opposing this bill.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States, the Louisiana Senators and Congressmen in Washington, and the Press.

WHEREAS, H. R. 8115, which permits the mailing of small samples of liquor in reality converts the post offices of the United States into distributing stations for liquors in half pint flasks, and is, in our opinion, iniquitous legislation.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That we go on record as opposing this bill, protesting it to Senator Kenneth McKellar, Chairman of the Senate Committee where it is now under discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent Senators Overton and Ellender.

WHEREAS, the United States has not only the right but a very solemn obligation to protect and conserve all its assets and possessions there can be no question that it is of the greatest importance that it fail not to safeguard its most precious asset—the children of the Nation—from everything that will prevent or mar their finest development physically, mentally and spiritually. Priceless because they are the future citizens. We are responsible for the tomorrow of these children.

BE IT RESOLVED; Therefore, that we the women of the Louisiana Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, go on record as being unqualifiedly in favor of the ratification of the child labor amendment. Further, be it resolved that we forward a copy of these resolutions to our Governor and to each representative and senator who will compose our legislature at its coming session. Further, be it resolved that we will use all of our personal influence both individually and collectively toward influencing this legislature.

Respectfully yours,
S. L. LYONS.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

This has been a great year in the history of the Church, when so much has been done to call the attention of men and women everywhere to the fact that spiritual values are of supreme worth. The Preaching Mission, the Bishops' Crusade, the Aldersgate Commemoration, and the proposed Union of the Churches, all have given an impetus to the work of the Spiritual Life Groups. We have never had so wonderful an opportunity, and our auxiliaries are responding nobly, doing all they can to conserve the results of these great spiritual movements.

The Spiritual Life Groups have co-operated in every way they knew to bring about a spiritual revival and will continue throughout the year to emphasize the importance of the individual experience of sins forgiven, a personal dedication of life, and a burning desire to share with others this assurance of God's love.

Preparation: The Council planned wisely for this work, so that leaders might have an opportunity to learn of the plan of the spiritual life movement and to be inspired by the vision of the task. A Leadership Retreat was held at Scarritt to which were invited workers from every Conference. Your superintendent was present

and shall never forget those beautiful days where, in silent meditation or in prayer or in song or in listening to the great messages of the hour, one was led as it were to an open door to behold the shining vistas beyond. Dr. Halford Luccock, Dr. W. T. Watkins, Dr. Lavens Thomas, and Dr. Lester Rumble were the splendid speakers. Something did happen in the hearts of these present.

Then every Conference held a Retreat patterned as nearly as possible by the one held in Nashville. In Houma over sixty conference leaders met for two days, with Miss Davies as guest speaker. It was a memorable occasion.

The next link in this Retfeat-Chain was the District Retreat, and every District has held one or more, or is planning to hold one this year. In addition many of the zones have conducted wonderful half day and all day Retreats and also from the local auxiliaries word has come that great blessings have come from these smaller group meetings. Thus, in Council, or Conference, or District, or Zone, or local Retreat, many, many of our leaders have glimpsed something they are eager to capture—the secret of a radiant life.

Reports: So enthusiastic have been the letters telling of the work, it is difficult to report it. This has really been our richest year, and space forbids my listing all the good things attempted. The following are excerpts:

More individuals are reading devotional literature than ever before. The number of copies of the Upper Room has been more than doubled. They are being distributed to shut-ins, hospitals, to a Negro Missionary Society, to rural communities, to C. C. C. Camps, and to college dormitories.

The Executive Committee has a circulating library among themselves, and one group is distributing books furnished by the Board of Lay Activities. Family altars, by the score, have been established, and emphasis placed upon a deeper religious life in the home, and a greater reverence in all church services. Fine co-operation has been given by the auxiliary officers, and splendid results have been attained by the committees working in harmony with the pastors.

Attendance at mid-week services has been increased, assistance given in revival meetings, evangelistic campaigns have been put over by the spiritual life groups at the request of the pastor. There is a feeling that it is well for the programs to be worked out by the local committee, as a program sent out by headquarters might not meet the needs of the auxiliary.

We are glad that there is a growing initiative and originality in the work.

Many write that a study of some book on Prayer has done wonderful things for the group, and that now each member has a prayer list.

One enthusiastic woman writes that she gets more real help from the spiritual life meeting than from any church service.

Your Superintendent has attended the Retreat at Scarritt and at Houma. She has attended several Officers' Training Day sessions, and a number of District and Zone meetings.

She planned a Spiritual Life Institute that was held during the Pastors' School, and it was requested that it be made a regular part of the program each year.

A great many letters have been sent and articles written for the Louisiana News and Christian Advocate. The letters that have been received, so full of consecration and enthusiasm, have greatly enriched my life. Sincere thanks are expressed to all who helped to make our work this year a success.

"The Spirit of man is the candle of the Lord." The picture at once comes to our mind of an unlighted candle and someone coming to light it. A flicker of the taper and then it touches the candle and the candle catches fire and you have a steady flame. The candle is glorified by the fire, and the fire is manifested by the candle. So says Phillip Brooks. He reminds us that the candle obeys the fire. It acknowledges that the flame is its master and yields to his power. Its business is to shine.

May we seek, as never before, to have this heart warming experience, in very truth, and with this glad radiance in our daily lives shine as God's candles in our fair state.

"Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth; thro' all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

"I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
No sudden rending of the veil of clay,
No angel visitant, no opening skies;
But take this dimness of my soul away.

"Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King?
I see Thy cross—there teach my heart to cling:
All, all Thine own—soul, heart, and strength, and mind.
O! let me seek Thee, and O! let me find!
"Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love,
One Holy passion filling all my frame;
The kindling of the heaven-descended Dove,
My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame."

MRS. R. E. SMITH.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE

We, your Committee, on Spiritual Life and Message submit the following recommendations:

1. That we endeavor to have a Spiritual Life group in every auxiliary that we might be known as the Conference of the Warm Heart.

2. That, where practical, a retreat be held in every auxiliary during the year, making use especially of the Lenten and Thanksgiving Seasons.

3. That retreat features continue to be a part of our annual, District and Zone Meetings.

4. That we continue to co-operate in promoting the Aldersgate Commeration and that each auxiliary promote Prayer Services preparatory to the closing Service which the Pastors will plan on May 24th.

5. That every effort be made to conserve the Spiritual values of the Aldersgate Commeration.

6. That emphasis be placed on the Day of Prayer and the Week of Prayer making both vital and meaningful.

7. That continued effort be given in making our Conference a "Reading Conference" stressing the use of Devotional Books and periodicals such as **The Upper Room, The World Outlook, Christian Advocate, and The Christian Home.**

8. That Spiritual Life Work be integrated into all phases of the work and especially into the committee work of the Christian Social Relations Bureau.

9. That great questions and Movements of the Church be presented for study and special Prayer by Spiritual Life Groups.

MRS. G. W. POMEROY, Chairman.
MRS. J. T. HUTSON, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

Women are taking places in all walks of life. We only need to read our daily papers and magazines to see the many places of importance women are filling. We have professional women, women in business, women in Congress, also a woman member of the President's cabinet. From all reports they fill their places well.

Status of Women has been a very popular subject in our Conference the past year, expecially the Status of Women in our Church.

One of the major emphasis of the Council Committee has been the ordination of women. Personally we may not want ordination,

yet, there are women in Southern Methodism who do want ordination, because through it the way would be opened to an enlarged field of service.

One of the important questions to be considered at General Conference this year will be the unification of the three great Methodist bodies. Two of these Churches, The Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal ordain women to the ministry. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, does not. Mrs. I. T. Charles says, "In considering the matter of woman's place in the Church, there is only one matter to concern us. What is right? Is it right that fully one half of our church membership be permanently excluded from the Christian Ministry?"

MRS. H. J. POWERS, Chairman.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

We recommend:

1. That a request be made by the Executive Committee of the Conference to the Conference Board of Missions that the report of the Woman's Missionary Society be made to the annual conference in conjunction with that of the Conference Board of Missions.
2. That we continue the cultivation of the study of the Status of Women in the various meetings of the Woman's Missionary Society by the use of the available materials in leaflet and packet form.
3. That a more detailed study be made of the denominations in which women are serving as ordained ministers and of the influence of their work.

MRS. H. J. POWERS, Chairman.
MRS. W. D. STORMS, Secretary.

REPORT OF CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

The Candidate Committee has used every opportunity to present the call of Christian service and to cultivate those who have expressed definite interest. Additional workers are needed in every foreign field and requests for trained rural and Church deaconesses far exceed the present supply.

Miss Winnie Lee Davis, Personnel worker for the Council Candidate Committee, visited our Conference in February. She met with the Candidate Committee and members of the Executive Body living in Shreveport, explained her methods, and gave a gratifying

report of her work. while in Louisiana. She visited L. P. I. at Ruston, Centenary College, Shreveport, the Normal at Natchitoches, Southwestern at Lafayette and L. S. U. at Baton Rouge, made talks and had personal interviews with students who signified their interest in Missionary service.

Louisiana is proud of her two daughters who were consecrated at Council this year, Helen Mandlebaum for the home field and Patricia McHugh for Korea. These two girls have been on the Haas and Whited Memorial Scholarships.

The Council Candidate Committee is making an experiment in recommending that summer scholarships to Scarritt be granted eight outstanding college graduates. These girls are to be picked for exceptional ability and outstanding leadership. It is thought that the course at Scarritt will serve as a challenge for definite commitment or at least as training for work in the local church. Suggestions for these scholarships should be sent through the Conference Candidate Committee.

A new leaflet "Are Ye Able" has been prepared for cultivation of candidates. Missionary women throughout the state can co-operate by talking over with qualified postgraduate girls the varied types of service offered by the Church.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VISITING INSTITUTIONS

During the past year the members of our Committee have visited the various Louisiana institutions in which our Conference is directly interested. We find encouraging signs of progress wherever we have gone and we wish to commend the leaders of these institutions for their unfaltering guidance and enthusiastic direction of our work.

To the members of the Conference and the auxiliary membership we extend thanks for generous support. We are proud of our work in Louisiana and we look forward to continued progress in the coming year, with the increasing support of our Louisiana women.

We recommend that local groups visit St. Marks Community Center, MacDonell Mission School, and Jubilee Inn and thus form a personal band with these institutions.

MRS. D. M. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR SCARRITT ASSOCIATES

Facts and figures, dollars and cents, numbers of members, do not tell all there is to be known about Scarritt Associate work in

Louisiana this past year. These dollars, these members need to be translated into something more farreaching.

It will be gratifying for those in this audience to know that applications coming from worthy young people in such numbers, eager to be trained for helpful service in any needy area, are so insistent that Scarritt College authorities have decided to turn "Scarritt Associate" funds entirely to this purpose, instead of applying them to an expansion program of the College.

Your memberships, therefore, are going to train youth to serve under the Banner of Christ in all countries. **Skilled** workers, devoted to their cause, is what your money is being translated into. The time may come when you will feel a dollar spent in this way is returning, not 100 per cent, but a thousand percent, in good to humanity.

At our Annual Conference last year, we called the roll of Scarritt College graduates working in our own State of Louisiana. Seven young women responded to the roll call. Women at work in various kinds of religious activities—pastor's assistants, directors of Religious Education, social workers, recreational leaders, teachers, etc., these represent a part of the harvest we are helping to sow.

Herewith we submit figures to date:

Name of District	Associates Secured	Cash Contributed
Alexandria	10	$10.00
Baton Rouge	28	27.00
Lake Charles	7	13.35
Monroe	3	3.00
New Orleans	5	18.00
Ruston	12	15.00
Shreveport	30	30.00
Grand Totals	95	$116.25

Although this report, as reckoned by figures, does not equal the preceding one, we feel that it represents a continued interest in Scarritt College, and further, as we exceeded Louisiana's quota of associates last year to such an extent that we were in the lead of all Southern Conferences, probably explains why a large percentage of our associates shown on that report should have carried over into this one.

Let me conclude by emphasizing what we have stressed before —That Scarritt Associate Memberships are in no way connected with our regular "Scarritt Maintenance Fund." The Maintenance Fund goes into the general treasury of the college for general

maintenance. Our Scarritt Associate Funds now go exclusively to "student aid."

Since the State Conference is at present supporting two scholarships at Scarritt, would it be too much to pray and hope for the time when Louisiana Scarritt Associates will be supporting in full their own Scarritt scholarship?

MRS. GILMAN McCONNELL

LOUISIANA MISSION FIELDS

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REPORT OF JUBILEE INN

A writer has said if there be a home there must be love, a house with friendly doors, fellowship, flowers, trees, birds, music, books, joy, quiet-times, hours spent with prophet, psalmist, or evangelist and even pages that open into fairyland and touch the pulse of strange adventure. The days of the past year have been busy with efforts to make such a home, a home where tired business girls find enjoyment and rest.

Many duties and responsibilities have entered in the days, but satisfaction and joy have also come with them. Shreveport has been listed as one of the few cities of the country that has reached a high peak in business. This has been favorable for our girls in getting jobs. Few have been without work at any time. Better salaries and better jobs have prevailed throughout the year. These factors have added stability and happiness to the home. Forty-one girls have resided here during the year. Many who are residents now have been here for a year or more and some for more than two years.

The appearance of the home has been greatly improved by paint from the outside. Many additions in furniture, rugs, refinishing of floors have added to the appearance of the inside.

The usual interest in the social life of the home has claimed special time and attention on holidays, birthdays and special parties. One of our lovely girls was married in September and her marriage was of much interest to the Inn family.

Several girls, workers in the Baptist Church, enjoyed Pre-Easter Services at the church for a week. Services were held at seven in the morning, the girls were up and ready for services before rising bell.

A mother who spent a week with her daughter last fall, spoke beautifully of the home and was appreciative of the Christian spirit that prevailed. She said, in regard to morning devotion held at the breakfast table, "No girl can listen to the words read and the prayer and go out without being helped for the day." The periods of worship means strength to many of the girls.

So many things about a year's work cannot be tabulated. The results of caring for tired, sick, homesick, restless, timid or sensitive girls, moments of counselling and advising, periods of heart searching, all hard to give in concrete form. Such results we hope are to be found in the future years as well as at the present time. If girls have been helped to live better and render a more worth while service, then the work has truly not been in vain. And this has been the aim for the year.

DEACONESS MARY FREEMAN

MAC DONELL FRENCH MISSION SCHOOL, MAC DONELL WESLEY COMMUNITY HOUSE, AND FRENCH RURAL WORK

Houma, La.

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II. Staff of Workers, 1937-38:

1. MacDonell School: Miss Ella K. Hooper, Miss Lillie J. Hendricks, Miss Elizabeth Covington, Miss Ione Gandy, Miss Annie Lampard, Miss Emma Vogel, Miss Ollie Willings, Miss Anna Fay Fowler, Miss Lottie Green, Mr. Philip H. Harden, Mr. Nolan Matherne, Mr. Jesse Cason.

2. Dulac Indian School: Miss Wilhelmina Hooper, Miss Mary Beth Littlejohn, Mrs. Elizabeth Roubion.

III. Senior Class:

Lillian Barrilleaux, Jesse Curol, Mabel Curol, Elouise Blanchard, Maryann Blanchard, Velia Dupre, Austin Pfister.

Report of 1937

A year rich in opportunities for service and rewarding in results has been 1937 in MacDonell School and in the Indian work. Only a few outstanding phases can be presented in a report.

The graduation in May was one of the high points. Dr. Dana Dawson's message on Sunday morning brought a sense of sacredness and great significance to all the week. Then, when on Wednesday evening, a class of six choice young people in whom the church had invested much and of whom we were expecting much, stood on the porch of Keener Hall and received the diplomas and heard the great message brought by Dr. Arden O. French of Baton Rouge, we felt that all the love and prayers and hard work poured out by the Women of Southern Methodism and by those in the Louisiana Conference were surely justified.

The enrollment remains about the same—95, the capacity. Many applicants had to be turned away for lack of room. This puts an increased responsibility on those who do enter.

The response of the Louisiana women to the needs of the school is always an inspiration to the workers. How thrilled we were to know that they were working on the project of erecting and equipping a new laundry, thereby making it possible to do more effective work for and with the children. The sum of $1,300.00 and a little more is now in the bank, and work on the construction of the building awaits only the completed plans for the architect. And what shall we say of the help given through scholarships and by supplies? There are not words with which to adequately express our appreciation, nor to tell of all that these gifts mean in the French section. We believe that the investments made in human lives at this time will bear fruit in ever increasing returns for the years to come. And that must be the reward of all who sacrifice to carry on the work.

Students and teachers working together with the leaders in the rural areas help to carry the Gospel message to many points that would not otherwise be reached; and more and more, former students out in these more distant points are able to stand by the preachers in carrying on the work of the church, superintending the Sunday Schools, teaching the classes, acting as stewards of the churches, and doing all in their power to advance the work of the Kingdom of God.

We can look back over the years with pride and joy and deep gratitude for the accomplishments of the past, but mostly our eyes are turned forward, for there is much to be done. We enter the new year with eagerness and hope, knowing that by keeping ourselves in the will of God. He will continue to use and bless us in the work.

Scholarships—1937

Alexandria, First Church—Libby Martin.
Alexandria, First Church and Gleaners—Helen Cantrelle.

Alexandria District and Zones—Shirley and Norman Rogers, Beulah Cantrelle.
Bunkie, Mrs. Haas—Flossie Martin.
Baton Rouge, First Church—Mollie Hatch.
Baton Rouge, First Church—Sadie Martin.
Baton Rouge District—Ella Mae Rodrigue and Bertman Bruce.
Crowley—Jeanette Champagne.
Crowley, Young Women's Circle—Oneida Hunter.
New Iberia—Eunice Griffin.
Lake Charles—Esther Vicknair.
Lake Charles District, Zones 2 and 4—Lelia Dupre.
Lake Charles District, Zones 1, 3, 5—Lela Savoie.
Monroe, First Church—Jesse Curol.
Monroe District—Margaret Vicknair.
West Monroe—Claudia Bergeron.
New Orleans, Rayne Memorial—Helen Pitre.
New Orleans, Carrollton Avenue—Mabel Curol.
New Orleans, First Church—Roy Audoine.
New Orleans District—Wilbert Kern.
New Orleans District, Zone 4—Thomas Cantrelle.
Ruston Auxiliary—Odile Cantrelle.
Ruston District, Homer-Haynesville—Loricia Neal.
Shreveport, Zone 1—Victoria Neal.
Shreveport, Zone 2—Robert Hunter.
Shreveport, Zones 3 and 4—Mary Bell Aladdin.
Shreveport, First Church—Bessie Cantrelle.
Shreveport, Noel Memorial—Theresa Neal and Morris Martin.
Conference, Houma Day Offerings—Lillian Barrilleaux.
Mansfield, Win One Class—Velia Dupre.
Shreveport, Mrs. Lamar Baker—Marie Detiveaux.
Monroe, Parker Memorial Class—Gertrude Landis.

New Scholarships Pledged for 1938

Rayne Memorial, New Orleans—Walter Hunter.
First Church, Shreveport, Sally Sexton Circle—Mary Pitre.
Shreveport, First Church Gleaners—Rita Mae Savoie.
Baird Sunday School Class, First Church Shreveport—Gladys Roubion.

THE DULAC INDIAN MISSION

The year 1937 in the Indian work at Dulac has been a very successful one. Having a Council worker is a great help and since Mrs. Elizabeth Roubion, a volunteer worker, has been there the teachers are more free to do the visiting and extension work that is so greatly needed.

The enrollment in the regular school is seventy-five. There are seven adults in the night school and a large number of boys and girls in the afternoon clubs and classes. There are two extension schools, both attended by nearly all the people of the particular community, both children and adults. These groups number about fifteen or twenty each, and they receive both secular and religious education.

The work of the church is not identical with the school since a large number of the Indians are Roman Catholic and are not allowed to attend the church services. The pastor, Rev. C. J. Thibodaux, preaches twice a month. The Church School session, a Bible study class, and a monthly community song service constitute the activities of the church.

Much time is spent visiting in the homes and cooperating with any available agencies for the social and economic betterment of the people whom we serve. Visiting the sick, first aid in emergency illness, and lessons in the care of minor troubles constitute a large part of the work. A home industry is now being developed, the making of baskets and other articles for sale. These are made during those periods when both shrimping and trapping seasons are closed. We try to arrange a market for these wares and thus enable the people to earn a few dimes when they might otherwise be destitute.

WILHELMINA HOOPER
MARY BETH LITTLEJOHN

ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER

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One of the outstanding steps of progress at St. Mark's during 1937 was the organization of the Department of Boys' Work, with a young man as full time director. Through his work boys are being brought into an atmosphere of Christian friendliness and good sportsmanship. They are taken from unwholesome temptations and given something worth while to do. Through group activities and personal work their atitudes and actions are made more Christlike and they are learning that it is not the winning nor the losing that counts, "but how you played the game."

Through music, art, and other interests the girls are learning to "find and give their best." Their leaders are helping them "face life squarely" and to see the Master Workman as they see the development of their own workmanship.

A house council, composed of representatives from all the organized clubs, meets regularly to help plan for community improvement. These young people have a keen interest in the problems that hinder personal and social development and they are trying to devise methods of fighting those evils. There is a feeling of personal responsibility for the neighborhood and its interests.

It has been a year of rich experiences. The development of Christian character is the most real manifestation of the work of the spirit of Christ. St. Mark's makes possible that development in the lives of the many boys and girls and older people who participate in its activities. The women of the missionary auxiliaries throughout the state make possible the work that is done here. "We are workers together with Christ."

John Wesley said, "God sent me to persuade men to put Christ at the center of their relationships." That is the challenge and the task at St. Mark's.

RURAL WORK

Many opportunities for service are open to your rural deaconess. In the Church I serve in any capacity from janitor to pastor's assistant.

In the Church School I have been superintendent teacher, secretary, Chairman of the Board of Christian Education, counselor for the young people's division, assistant to the superintendent of the children's division in conducting mid-week sessions, director of Vocation Church Schools. Of course, I fill these places only until leaders are found who can work in these places.

My work with the Woman's Missionary Societies on my charge is usually as general helper, counseling the various officers in the work of their departments; making suggestions for an enlargement

of the program to include activities not previously engaged in; teaching mission and Bible studies.

In the community life as a whole my work is largely cooperating with agencies already in existence.

It is a joyous field of service and I am indeed happy to be a rural deaconess in the Louisiana Conference.

S. E. NUTTALL

CEDAR GROVE WORK

The work of a Church Deaconess cannot easily be described. The diversity of it brings a newness to each day's program. As Director of Religious Education one finds more than she can do in assisting every group of the church and the church school . . . in training leaders, in home visitation, in teaching Mission and Bible study classes, in directing pageants and plays, in directing a Vacation Church School, in sponsoring a wholesome program of recreation, in personal interviews and many other activities.

Every Methodist in the Charity Hospital is visited each week by the deaconess and the pastor. Postal cards, copies of "The Upper Room," magazines, puzzles and the like are distributed. An effort is made to strengthen the relationship of the patient to the church, and to bring joy to him during his illness. For those who remain in the hospital several months this is possible.

A great program of church social work is growing out of cooperation with the Christmas Good Cheer Organization and the Social Agencies of the city. We assisted in investigating the families on relief in the Cedar Grove area of Shreveport. Systematic visitation, securing jobs for the unemployed, meeting of needs as they arise, organizing clubs for members of this group have made, and will make, life worthwhile for the underprivileged of this section. In being a friend our supreme purpose shall be to introduce them to the Great Friend and Father of all mankind.

VERNA WEBSTER

DEPARTMENT OF LAWS

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SOCIETY

Classification of Laws

1. Special Rules.
2. Standing Rules.
3. By-Laws.
4. That these terms be defined as follows:

(1) A rule for one year or expiring with the emergency which called it into being shall be known as a special rule.

(2) A special rule, which by a majority vote of the body is made permanent shall be known as a standing rule. A standing rule shall remain in force until amended or rescinded.

(3) A by-law is a law created by the body that is as binding on all the body and its agencies as is the constitution. Being created by the body, it may be rescinded at the will of the body. An amendment to the by-laws must be ratified by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.

BY-LAWS ADOPTED BY LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Note—Constitution and by-laws for all Conference Societies will be found in the Hand Book.

1. Election of officers shall take place biennially.
2. When vacancies among officers or standing committees occur during the year, they shall be filled by the Executive Committee until the next annual session of the Conference. At that time the office shall be filled by election.
3. All minutes of the Conference shall be signed by the President.
4. The Treasurer may disburse without order from President and Conference Secretary the quarterly expense money for officers, superintendents and secretaries. She shall send quarterly itemized statements to the Conference Secretary, President and District Secretaries.
5. The Superintendent of Literature and Publicity shall be responsible for the promotion of the World Outlook and the Louisiana News. She shall appoint with the approval of the Executive Committee, the Editor of the News.
6. The Superintendent of Supplies shall report quarterly to the House Cultivation Secretary in charge of organization and to the Conference Secretary.
7. Districts may be divided into zones, according to their size. A leader for each zone shall be appointed by January 1 by the District Secretary, subject to the approval of the Conference Secretary. The zone leaders shall hold meetings quarterly in their zones. A collection may be taken at each meeting. After the expense of the meeting is paid the leader shall send the remainder to the Conference Treasurer, stating the amount and from what zone.
8. Fifty cents per member shall be set aside by the Treasurer for Conference Expense fund. Membership to be based on enrollment December 31 of preceeding year. Expenses of officers, Editor of Louisiana Missionary News, speakers at

annual meetings and Mid-Term Executive meeting, shall be paid from the Conference Expense fund. All money in the fund at the end of fiscal year over the amount necessary to adequately carry on the Conference work shall revert to the general fund.

9. At each annual and district meeting public collections shall be taken for the Conference work and amounts forwarded to the Conference Treasurer. The District Secretary may pay the expense of one outside guest to the district meeting before remitting to the Treasurer.
10. The Treasurer shall advance each quarter for office expense the following amounts: To President, Vice-President, Superintendents Young Women's Groups and Mission and Bible Study, $7.50 each; to Conference Secretary, $12.50; Superintendents of Supplies, Christian Social Relations, Children's Work, $10.00 each; District Secretaries, $5.00 each; Distributor of Literature, $20.00; to Treasurer, $20.00 per month. Postage expense shall be allowed all chairmen of Conference Committees.
11. A half-hour of each forenoon during the Annual Meeting of the Conference shall be devoted to Bible study and worship.
12. There shall be a Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and call attention to any overlapping, conflicting, unnecessary items. It shall prepare for use under proper heading in the Annal Report a copy of the Standing Rules and Rules of Order. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.
13. There shall be a Standing Committee on Finance. It shall be the duty of this committee to study the financial needs of the Conference and plan ways to raise money to meet these needs. It shall make an annual report to the Conference Society of its work. The chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.
14. All proposed changes to the by-laws shall be sent to the Committee on Constitution and by-laws 30 days before the annual meeting of the Conference, and typed copies shall be made for distribution to the delegates.
15. There shall be a Candidate Committee composed of the President, Conference Secretary, and Superintendent of Young Women's Circles. It shall be the duty of this committee to interview those interested in preparing for definite Christian service.

16. When a Council Worker is employed by the Conference, there shall be set up an advisory committee. This shall be composed of the District Secretary, any Conference Officers residing within the District, and a representative of the Woman's Missionary Society in the locality in which the work is undertaken. The Presiding Elder and local Pastor may be co-opted members.
17. The duties of Conference Reporter shall be added to the regular duties of the Recording Secretary.
18. There shall be a standing committee on personnel consisting of seven members, preferably one from each District. It shall be the duty of this committee to keep informed as to the types of women needed for places of leadership in the Woman's Missionary Conference, to seek constantly throughout the church for women who are consecrated, trained and available for such places of service. It shall furnish this information to the Conference when the occasion demands.

STANDING RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

Art. 1.—

A letter of introduction shall be issued to the member of the Missionary Society moving from one church to another.

Art. 2.—

Scholarship shall not be granted for Home or Foreign Mission work by Council or Conference, to young women who do not meet the educational requirements adopted by the Council.

Art. 3.—

Application for all specials shall be made through the Conference Secretary.

Art. 4.—

All communications from Conference Officers, such as circular letters, literature, et cetera, must go direct to auxiliary officers of corresponding office, instead of through District Secretaries.

Art. 5.—

The retiring District Secretary shall plan as far as possible, and if necessary, hold the first district meeting after Conference. The District Secretary will be allowed expense money to attend one meeting a year in each of the zones in her district.

Art. 6.—

A committee shall be appointed to approve the minutes of each meeting of the Conference session.

Art. 7.—

Standing Committees shall meet for organization before leaving the place of meeting of the Conference. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum.

Art. 8.—

In each Conference Society a committee of three, one of whom shall be the Conference Secretary, shall be elected to visit the home institutions within its boundary and co-operate with them for the advancement of their work. An expense account may be presented when necessary.

Art. 9.—

Typists shall be supplied at Conference for the writing of committee reports.

Art. 10.—

When a Young Woman's Circle shall have been organized two years that circle shall no longer go by the title of Young Woman's Circle, but a new circle of young women shall be formed, having as a nucleus all old members under 25 years of age.

RULES OF ORDER

Art. 1.—

Each meeting shall open and close with a religious service.

Art. 2.—

All resolutions shall be presented in writing and signed by two members.

Art. 3.—

No member shall receive recognition unless she rise to address the chair.

Art. 4.—

Courtesies shall be limited to the 10 minutes before noon devotional service.

STANDING RULES FOR ADULT AUXILIARIES

1. All auxiliaries shall hold their business meetings the first week of the month, if advisable.
2. The week beginning with the first Sunday in November shall be observed as a Week of Prayer.
3. No new auxiliary can be reported until a quarterly report has been sent to the Conference Treasurer and District Secretary.
4. Each auxiliary shall pay $4.00 per year for Scarritt Maintenance Fund.

5. In order that the auxiliary entertaining the Annual Conference may not be deprived of the benefits of the meeting, a luncheon shall be served by an outside agency, at a price not to exceed 50 cents per plate.

6. In case any auxiliary is not sending a member as delegate to the Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society, that auxiliary may elect its zone leader to serve in that capacity, and may also assist in paying her expenses.

7. One-fourth of the membership of the auxiliary shall constitute a quorum for the election of officers.

8. The president of the auxiliary shall be responsible for the calling of an executive meeting the last of each quarter, at which time the reports should be made out and mailed to the Conference Officers.

9. Each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary shall send the total amount pledged to the District Secretary, not later than February 1, and the Memorial Roll not later than March 10.

10. Representation at Annual Meetings shall be one delegate for each 60 members or fraction thereof. This entitles each auxiliary, however small, to one delegate.

11. Auxiliaries having the circle plan of organization shall shift the membership of circles at least once every two years.

HOW AND WHEN TO REPORT

Officers of the auxiliaries shall comply with rules governing reporting on page 18, 1934 Hand Book.

RULES FOR DELEGATES

1. Thirty days before the Annual Conference, the Conference Recording Secretary shall send to the president of each auxiliary in the Conference registration cards, which she shall fill in with names of delegates, and with check covering luncheons and mail immediately to Chairman of Registration in auxiliary entertaining the Conference.

2. Delegates should go to the Annual Session of the Conference Society in the spirit of prayer, bearing in mind that the service is for the King of Glory, and that the work must be done in reverence and love for Him who died that we might have everlasting life.

3. The delegate selected to represent her society at a public meeting should go, unless prevented by some serious providence.

4. She should familiarize herself with the minutes of the preceeding annual meeting and with the latest Council minutes, and carry a copy of each for reference.

5. Delegates shall remain until the end of the meeting, unless prevented by illness or excused by the chair.

6. The delegates shall attend every business and religious meeting with as much promptness as possible, and shall occupy at each business meeting the seats assigned them at the time of organization.

7. Each delegate shall have a credential card, properly filled out and signed by the Recording Secretary and President of her local auxiliary.

8. She should have a pencil and tablet, note all the proceedings, and prepare a good report for the society that she represents, not merely saying, "We had a good meeting," but tell why and how it was beneficial.

9. She should report to her auxiliary at the first meeting after her return home, calling attention to all resolutions and plans proposed at the meeting, and urge her auxiliary to act upon them.

10. She should give out all the information and enthusiasm she can, to inspire those who did not go, and do all in the spirit of prayer.

INFORMATION—ADULT DEPARTMENT

What You Need—Where To Get It

I.—Adult—

(a) Monthly Bulletin from Council. (b) "Louisiana News." If you do not receive your literature write to—. (c) Report subscriptions to World Outlook—$1.00 per year, (containing material for programs) to

—J. G. Tinsley, Lafayette, La.

II.—

Order "World Outlook" from "World Outlook," 706 Church St., Nashville, Tenn.

III.—

(a) New Hand Book for Adult Missionary Societies— (b) Adult Year Book (Aux. programs). (c) Council 1938 Report. (d) Record and Report Books for— 1. Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary, 35c. 2. Auxiliary Treasurer, 35c. Adult Set (two above), 65c. (e) Pledge Cards, Charter Leaflets, etc. Plays, Demonstrations. Literature on Status of Women. Prices given on request.

—Literature Department, 706 Church Street, Nashville, Tenn. (Money orders, checks, if possible, accompany orders.) Stamps, if sent, will be returned.

IV.—Mission Study Books—

For courses recommended see page "Bible and Mission Study." For information, write Mrs. G. W. Dameron, 239 Robinson Place, Shreveport, La.

—Methodist Publishing House, 510 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., or Dallas, Texas.

V.—

Hand Book and information on Christian Social Relations.
—Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, West Monroe, La.

VI.—Financial Expansion—

Auxiliary Pledge, Scarritt Maintenance, Special Gifts to Missions.

—Mrs. F. W. Raggio, 806 Lake Park, Baton Rouge.

VII.—

Life Memberships. Memorial Roll Members.
—Mrs. W. H. Martin, Plain Dealing, La.

VIII.—General Information—

Conference Year Book and Minutes. Literature for New Societies.

—Your District Secretary or Conference Secretary.

IX.—Rural Work—

Zone Plans. Daily Vacation Bible Schools.
—Mrs. W. E. Fine, Homer, La.

X.—

Spiritual Cultivation Plans.
—Mrs. R. E. Smith, 451 Kings Highway, Shreveport, La.

HAND BOOK FOR ADULT MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Every president and every officer needs one. In it you will find "How to Organize, and Why"; "How to Be a Good Officer, for Any and All Officers"; "How to Have Good Meetings"; "Parliamentary Rules"; committees, funds, specials; "Why Increase Your Giving."

ROSTER OF

Zone Leaders and Auxiliary Presidents

ACCORDING TO ZONES AND DISTRICTS

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. D. L. Dykes, Pleasant Hill

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Montrose	Mrs. R. J. McLeroy	Montrose
Natchitoches	Mrs. W. M. Woodyard	Natchitoches
Oak Grove	Mrs. Birtye Gray, Rt. No. 2	Natchitoches
Pleasant Hill	Mrs. D. L. Dykes	Pleasant Hill
Robeline	Mrs. Moses	Robeline
Campti	Mrs. J. B. Fulton	Campti

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. W. S. Townsend, Boyce

Boyce	Mrs. E. Tower	Boyce
Colfax	Mrs. J. C. Rousseaux	Colfax
Montgomery	Mrs. J. I. McCain	Montgomery
Pineville	Mrs. P. H. O'Neal care O'Neal Bros	Pineville
New Palestine	Mrs. J. Q. Elliott, Box 155	Pineville, La.

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. T. L. Cappell, 1731 Albert St., Pineville

Alexandria	Mrs. T. Owen, Box 388	Alexandria, La.
Alexandria Gleaners	Mrs. H. A. Bradford, 1836 Hill St.	Alexandria, La.
Glenmora	Mrs. Lydia Phillips	Glenmora
Lecompte	Mrs. W. D. Milton	Lecompte
Oakdale	Mrs. E. Warrington	Oakdale

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. W. H. Parker, Jr., Bunkie

Bunkie	Mrs. R. G. Hall	Bunkie
Marksville	Mrs. G. A. LaGrange	Marksville
Melville	Mrs. Gus Rosenberg	Melville
Opelousas	Mrs. Felix DeZauche	Opelousas
Palmetto	Mrs. G. A. McDaniel	Palmetto
White Chapel	Mrs. W. L. Campbell, Rt. 3	Bunkie
Oak Grove	Mrs. Vernon Fullington	Center Point

Zone 5—Leader, Mrs. W. O. Weaver, Tullos

Olla	Mrs. Inas Gwin	Olla
Rochelle	Mrs. H. O. Baker	Rochelle
Tullos	Mrs. W. H. Rice	Tullos
Winnfield	Mrs. Willie Gaar	Winnfield
Searcy	Mrs. Maude Turnley, R.F.D.	Trout

Zone 6—Leader, Mrs. L. L. Denham, Ferriday

Ferriday	Mrs. T. L. James	Ferriday
Good Pine	Mrs. A. B. Baldridge	Good Pine
Jena	Mrs. O. J. Evans	Jena
Jonesville	Mrs. O. V. Hooker	Jonesville
Sicily Island	Mrs. W. S. Peck	Sicily Island
Trout	Mrs. G. B. Valentine	Trout

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. Wm. Schuhle, Plaquemine

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
1st. Church, Baton Rouge	Mrs. F. W. Raggio, 806 Lake Park	Baton Rouge
Istrouma	Mrs. Zula Williams	Istrouma
Lottie	Mrs. A. N. Smith	Blanks
Plaquemine	Mrs. Wm. Schuhle	Plaquemine
Rosedale		
Slaughter	Mrs. J. I. Law	Bass
Zachary	Mrs. A. W. Montegudo	Zachary

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. A. A. McKnight, Amite

Amite	Mrs. B. W. June	Amite
Angie	Mrs. Geo. W. Stafford	Angie
Franklinton	Mrs. H. P. Magee	Franklinton
Greensburg	Mrs. A. D. St. Amant	Greensburg
Center	Mrs. J. W. Newsome	Tinus
Darlington	Mrs. T. H. Catha	Chipola
Day	Mrs. Opal McDaniel	Liverpool
Wesley Church	Mrs. Eugene McLean	Darlington
Kentwood	Mrs. Ralph Napier	Kentwood

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. B. L. Kinchen, Watson

Baker	Mrs. J. R. Downing	Baker
Blackwater	Mrs. Lee Morgan, Rt. 4, Box 52,	B. Rouge
Deerford	Mrs. J. F. Millican	Deerford

Live Oak	Mrs. I. B. Thames	Watson
Meadows Chapel	Mrs. B. S. Graves	Prairieville
Walker	Mrs. Gene Watson	Walker
Denham Springs	Mrs. Gertrude Scivicque	Denham Springs

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. C. I. Crook, Hammond

Hammond	Mrs. J. M. Bishop, 206 S. Spruce,	Hammond
Natalbany	Mrs. J. H. Montgomery	Tickfaw
Ponchatoula	Mrs. Sam Yawn	Ponchatoula
Springfield	Mrs. Rudolph Hoover, Route 1,	Hammond
Lees Landing	Mrs. Milton Raiford, R. 1,	Ponchatoula
Wesley Chapel	Miss Lizzie Howes, R. 1,	Ponchatoula
Tickfaw	Mrs. Hance Wilson	Tickfaw

Zone 5—Leader, Mrs. R. H. Daniel, St. Francisville

Clinton	Mrs. S. J. McLean	Clinton
Ethel	Mrs. K. P. Roddy	Ethel
Jackson	Mrs. I. G. Gayden	Gurley
New Hope	Mrs. L. B. Weemes, R. 1	Jackson
St. Francisville	Mrs. R. H. Daniel	St. Francisville

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. J. B. Mouton, Sulphur

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Crand Chenier	Mrs. J. P. Jones	Grand Chenier
Lake Charles	Mrs. J. L. Farque, 303 Iris St.,	Lake Charles
Moss Bluff	Mrs. Leland Reeves, R. 1	Lake Charles
Sulphur	Mrs. O. B. Crozier	Sulphur
Vinton	Mrs. M. J. Kaufman	Vinton

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. A. O. Rhoad, Jeanerette

Abbeville	Mrs. A. R. Moist	Abbeville
Kaplan	Miss Elmira Montgomery	Kaplan
Jeanerette	Mrs. A. P. Smith	Jeanerette
Lafayette	Mrs. G. J. Tinsley	Lafayette
New Iberia	Mrs. A. C. LaSalle	New Iberia
Rayne	Mrs. R. C. Webb	Rayne
St. Martinville	Mrs. Jerome Broussard	St. Martinville

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. D. W. Smith, Merryville

Alco	Mrs. Mason Richmond	Alco
Anacoco	Mrs. R. C. Guy	Anacoco
DeRidder	Mrs. Joe Sailor	DeRidder
Leesville	Mrs. Brown Word	Leesville
Lucky Grove	Mrs. J. T. Talbert, R. 1	Pitkin
Hornbeck	Mrs. Albert Cavanaugh	Hornbeck
Many	Mrs. C. D. Hancock	Many
Merryville	Mrs. Mancel Connelly	Merryville
Prospect	Mrs. J. M. Davis	Florien

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Route 1, Crowley

Church Point	Mrs. W. C. Barham	Church Point
Crowley	Mrs. J. W. Wynne	Crowley
Gueydan	Mrs. H. G. Hardee	Gueydan
Indian Bayou	Mrs. J. A. Knight	Indian Bayou
Lake Arthur	Heinen	Lake Arthur
Maxie	Mrs. L. B. Robinson, R. 1	Crowley

Zone 5—Leader, Mrs. B. G. Dowies

Elizabeth	Mrs. Paul Sigler	Elizabeth
Eunice	Mrs. M. W. Beadle	Eunice

MONROE DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. J. M. Alford, Gordon Ave., Monroe

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Bastrop	Mrs. R. M. Kimbrell	Bastrop
Bartholomew	Mrs. O. C. Floyd, R.F.D.	Bastrop
Bonita	Mrs. Harry Buatt	Bonita
Claiborne	Mrs. W. F. Wall, Rt. 1	West Monroe
Collinston	Mrs. A. J. Tarver	Collinston
Columbia	Mrs. Lee Wells	Columbia
Fairbanks	Mrs. H. J. Hunter	Fairbanks
Jones	Mrs. W. L. Pugh	Jones
Mer Rouge	Mrs. J. A. McCormick	Mer Rouge
Monroe, First Church	Mrs. C. E. McKenzie, 910 St. John St.,	Monroe
Monroe, Gordon Ave.	Mrs. J. G. Luckett, 2806 Gordon Ave.,	Monroe
Oak Ridge	Mrs. J .H. Midyett	Oak Ridge
Sterlington	Mrs. G. Wright	Sterlington
Swartz	Mrs. J. H. Miller	Swartz
West Monroe	Mrs. D. C. Metcalf	West Monroe

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. C. R. Abney, Pioneer

Delhi	Mrs. Alys Renwick	Delhi
Epps	Mrs. A. L. Hawkins	Epps
Forrest	Mrs. J. H. Waller	Forrest
Oak Grove	Mrs. J. L. Williams	Oak Grove
Pioneer	Mrs. W. H. Cotner	Pioneer
Rayville	Mrs. J. C. Calhoun	Rayville
Tallulah	Mrs. A. C. Thompson	Tallulah
Lake Providence	Mrs. C. R. Brown	Lake Providence

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. C. W. Berry, Sr., Winnsboro

Baskin	Mrs. A. L. McPhail	Baskin
Buckner	Mrs. F. B. Hatch, Rt. 1	Rayville
Crowville	Mrs. B. C. Lanier, R.F.D.	Winnsboro
Gilbert	Mrs. L. W. Thornburg	Gilbert
Little Creek	Mrs. J. M. Thompson	Alto
Mangham	Mrs. Myrtle Preton	Mangham
St. Joseph	Mrs. Henry Ohlsen	St. Joseph
Waterproof	Mrs. John Mitchell	Waterproof
Wesley	Mrs. B. W. Berry	St. Joseph
Winnsboro	Mrs. R. R. Taliaferro, Sr.	Winnsboro
Wisner	Mrs. G. S. Cotton	Wisner

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

2900 Palmer Ave. after Oct.

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. S. E. Castles, ~~2411 Robert St.~~, New Orleans

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Algiers	Mrs. N. N. Hopkins, 1906 Bodinger Blvd.	Algiers
Carrollton Ave.	Mrs. W. D. Storms, 8237 Nelson St.,	New Orleans
Chalmette	Mrs. W. C. Collins, 1630 Louisa St.,	New Orleans
Epworth	Mrs. R. I. Sewell, 204 S. Cortez St.,	New Orleans
Felicity	Mrs. J. T. Monroe, 4123 Loyola Ave.,	New Orleans
First Church	Mrs. W. R. Pheives, 1831 Audubon,	New Orleans
McDonoughville	Mrs. H. B. Hatcher, 428 Delaronde St.	Algiers
Metairie	Mrs. W. A. Reich, 439 Aurora Ave.,	New Orleans
Parker Memorial	Mrs. J. S. Pearce, 1022 Jefferson,	New Orleans
Rayne Memorial	Mrs. C. C. Hightower, 85 Audubon,	New Orleans
Second Church	Mrs. M. Rouse, 4217 Bienville St.,	New Orleans
St. Marks	Mrs. Inez Horton, 1800 Burgundy,	New Orleans

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. Roy Waters, 317 Mississippi Ave., Bogalusa

Bogalusa	Mrs. C. Plummer	Bogalusa
Covington	Mrs. J. T. Jackson	Covington

Pearl River	Miss Gertrude Svendson	Pearl River
Slidell	Mrs. J. H. Robert	Slidell

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. Harry Bergeron, Rt. 2, Box 18-G, Houma

Bayou Blue	Mrs. Eldon Arceneaux, R. 2, 56-K, Houma	
Golden Meadow	Mrs. Leland Cook	Cutoff
Labadieville	Mrs. Emile Richard	Labadieville
Lockport	Mrs. G. E. Tolcott	Rita
Point au Chene	Mrs. John Neal, Sr.	Montegut

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. John A. Pharr, Berwick

Berwick	Mrs. John Davidson	Berwick
Donaldsonville	Mrs. W. F. Bolton	Vacherie
Franklin	Mrs. C. C. Weir	Franklin
Houma	Mrs. Claude Ellender	Houma
Morgan City	Mrs. John A. Pharr	Berwick

RUSTON DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. W. A. McKenzie, Homer

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Arizona	Mrs. A. Gleason	Arizona
Athens	Mrs. G. L. Kilpatrick	Athens
Bernice	Mrs. Ernest McCullem	Bernice
Dubach	Mrs. Carl Lewis	Dubach
Farmerville	Mrs. A. C. Dykes	Farmerville
Harmony Chapel	Mrs. R. G. Fuller	Hico
Haynesville	Mrs. A. G. Worley	Haynesville
Homer	Mrs. Sidney Moreland, Jr.	Homer
Lisbon	Mrs. Doyle McDonald	Lisbon
Marion	Mrs. Olive Wheelis	Marion
Summerfield	Mrs. W. A. Gray	Summerfield
Weldon	Mrs. J. H. Boatman, R. 3,	Bernice

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Calhoun

Antioch	Mrs. Lamar Cargile, R. 1	Ruston
Calhoun	Mrs. W. B. Humble	Calhoun
Choudrant	Mrs. O. H. Futrelle	Choudrant
Downsville	Mrs. R. M. McGehee	Downsville
Hilly	Mrs. V. C. Larance	Hilly
Ruston	Mrs. Glen Laskey	Ruston
Salem	Mrs. T. L. McCrary	Hilly
Simsboro	Mrs. T. C. Kirby	Simsboro

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. A. E. Woodard, Ringgold

Arcadia	Mrs. P. M. Oakley	Arcadia
Bienville	Mrs. R. A. Boone	Bienville
Cotton Valley	Mrs. Billy Hodges	Cotton Valley
Dubberly	Mrs. Irwin Rowland	Dubberly
Doyline	Mrs. J. S. Willis	Doyline
Gibsland	Mrs. W. R. Garrett	Gibsland
Haughton	Mrs. T. H. Lawrence	Haughton
Heflin	Mrs. H. W. Smith	Heflin
McIntyre	Mrs. H. W. Cox, R. 3	Minden
Minden	Mrs. Prentiss Lowe	Minden
Ringgold	Mrs. G. R. Weaver	Ringgold
Sibley	Mrs. W. C. Talton	Sibley
Springhill	Mrs. J. C. Branch	Springhill

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. Walker McDonald, Jonesboro

Clay	Mrs. W. F. Henderson	Clay
Dodson	Mrs. Clyde Taylor	Dodson
Hodge	Mrs. Nelson Michaud	Hodge
Jonesboro	Mrs. Paul Stinson	Jonesboro
Eros	Mrs. J. P. Maxwell	Eros

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. W. A. Sawyer, Belcher

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Belcher	Mrs. A. W. Gleason, Jr.	Belcher
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Longstreet	Mrs. Homer Wells	Longstreet
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Stonewall	Mrs. W. L. Gilmer	Stonewall

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East Point	Mrs. A. A. Cobb	East Point
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Zwolle	Mrs. O. L. Salter	Zwolle

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